

TAYLOR JOINS WALLACE

GARBAGE HEAPS MENACE CITY'S HEALTH



HEALTH PERIL: Mrs. Jean Horan wheels baby past four-feet-high garbage pile at 136 St. and St. Ann's Ave. in the Bronx. Festering garbage heaps bring danger of epidemics to city unless emergency steps are taken. City thus far has not disclosed any measures to clear streets immediately. Story on Page 5.

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Ready to Run for Vice-Presidency

By Rob F. Hall

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.—“I am going to cast my lot with Henry Wallace in his brave and gallant fight for peace,” Sen. Glen Taylor (D-Ida) announced tonight on a CBS coast-to-coast radio network. With these words, the Idaho side-hill farmer and ex-shipyard worker quit the Truman Democratic Party and made himself available for nomination as Henry Wallace's running mate on the ticket of the new Progressive Party.

The Roosevelt Democratic Party has committed suicide in abandoning its former progressive principles, Taylor said, and pointed out that FDR once threatened to leave the party if it nominated “lip-service candidates on a straddle-bug platform.”

“I, no more than Roosevelt, could remain in the party which has betrayed the principles in which I believe,” the Idaho Senator said. “Wall Street and the military have taken over.” In that sense, he said, “I am not leaving the Democratic Party. It has left me.”

“Happily, in 1948, we have a place to go where we can actively carry on the fight.”

Addressing his radio audience, Taylor said, “Now there is something you can do. You can work for a party and vote for a party that stands four-square for a program of peace and abundance.”

Taylor declared he was convinced that Wallace “is the only leader capable of ending the cold war and re-establishing even the beginnings of international good will.” Wallace has “the confidence of peoples everywhere,” he added.

Making an unscheduled appearance, Wallace showed up at the studio and sat by while Taylor made his dramatic announcement. At the conclusion of his remarks, Taylor turned to his probable running mate and said: “Henry Wallace, do you remember the day I took my seat in the Senate? As Vice-President, you administered to me the oath to support and defend the Constitution and you were the first to shake my hand. Do you remember what I told you then?”

“I surely do, Glen,” Wallace replied with a smile.

Taylor recalled that he had, at that time (1944), told

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Glen Taylor: From Farm Boy to Senator

Senator Glen Taylor of Idaho, who has turned his back on the Democratic Party to join forces with Henry Wallace, was born in Portland, Ore., April 12, 1904, son of a minister.

His childhood was spent on a small farm near Kooksia, Ida. At 15, Taylor was forced to leave the eighth grade of a rural public school. The illness of his father Rev. Pleasant John made it necessary for the boy to earn a living.

After a brief period as a sheet metal worker's apprentice young Taylor joined an older brother in a traveling road show. For the next 23 years he remained in show business. He toured the countryside in tent shows, vaudeville, dramatic stock and musical comedy shows.

Playing a small Western town in the late twenties Taylor met Dora Pike, an usher in one of the theaters. The couple pooled their resources and formed their own stock company. They were married in 1931.

Touring through the early depression days the couple ran into tough going and Taylor began to wonder what was happening in the world outside of show business. He started to read and study. By 1937 the cowboy showman had decided to do something to fight the privileged groups mismanaging the nation.

In 1937 he toured Idaho with a troupe campaigning for Congress. He lost in the primary. But in 1940 he entered the race for the Senate seat of the late William Borah. Opposed by the politicians, Taylor and his wife toured the state and won the Democratic nomination. In the general election campaign—Taylor lost by 14,000 votes.

WORKED IN WAR PLANT

By then war had broken out in Europe and Taylor went to work in a California war plant as a sheet metal worker. There he learned that the big employers, not the working men, were getting rich from the war.

Back in Idaho for the 1942 Senate race Taylor rode a horse all over the state in his campaign. To critics who charge him with using demagogic tactics, Taylor answers that he was broke and had no other way of getting around. He won the primary and was again opposed by the politicians who didn't like his speeches. Again he lost the election but this time by only 4,000 votes.

After two more years in the war

plant Taylor went back for another try. He won the nomination against isolationist Sen. D. Worth Clark on a platform of support for the United Nations and federal aid for the development of Idaho's resources. In the 1944 elections the cowboy troubadour-war worker was elected to the Senate.

Taylor lives with his wife and three sons, Glen Arod, Paul Jon and Gregory Alan, in an unpretentious old brownstone house near the Capitol.

Sneered at on his arrival in Washington in 1945 as the "Singing Cowboy," Sen. Taylor quickly dispelled the notion that he was a clown.

OPPOSED LABOR DRAFT

In his maiden speech on the Senate floor the Idaho Senator

vigorously opposed the proposed labor draft. He spoke with authority, he told the Senators, having worked a few months before in a war plant.

Taylor has a consistent progressive legislative record in the Senate. He is a strong supporter of the United Nations and has supported legislation designed to achieve world peace and security.

RAPPED MONOPOLY

In his three years in Washington Taylor has sharply attacked monopoly. He has championed legislation to aid workers, the small business man and farmers. His anti-inflation measure S-1923, introduced in the 80th Congress, which calls for price rollbacks, offers genuine relief to the people

from high prices. He is author of a bill which would require Senators to register the sources of their outside incomes. He has also introduced a bill requiring publication of Senators' voting records.

In 1946 the Senator waged an unsuccessful fight for an amendment to the Minimum Wage Bill to strike out the clause excluding agricultural workers from its benefits. He fought for extension of OPA and opposed the GOP's phony price control measure.

On the Social Security Act he sought an amendment to provide pensions to all over 60 years old, mothers with dependent children and all persons between 18 and 60 who are disabled.

His proposal of day care centers for the children of working mothers in the District of Columbia was opposed as "Russian inspired." As a result of Taylor's fight, however, additional funds were provided to maintain the centers.

DENOUNCED BILBO

On the opening day of the 80th Congress Taylor delivered a magnificent hour-long speech opposing the seating of Mississippi's rabid Negro hater, the late Theodore G. Bilbo. Introducing a resolution to deny Bilbo a seat, Taylor assailed the racist for depriving Negro citizens of their right to vote.

"It is not only Mr. Bilbo who is on trial," he told the Senators. "Today it is the Senate itself which is on trial."

Bilbo, he declared, "has toured the length and breadth of his state stirring up racial hatred. . . . To whites who are themselves poor, ill-nourished, ill-clothed and ill-educated, he does not offer prosperity, nourishment, clothing, food and education. No, he offers them . . . the cheap thrill of membership in a master race."

Sen. Taylor led the Senate opposition to the Truman Doctrine policy of aid to the fascist governments of Greece and Turkey. Strongly supporting a program of aid to the people of Europe he is opposed to the Marshall Plan's political strings.



SENATOR TAYLOR, with one of the three horses that carried him across the country when he rode from Los Angeles to Washington to warn of the warmongers' threat to peace.

Taylor's Speech

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.—Following is the complete text of the speech by Sen. Glen Taylor (D-Ida) over Station WTOP-CBS last night, announcing his support of the Wallace for President movement and the formation of a new progressive party:

"Last winter, in speaking at the Jackson Day dinner, I referred to the sad state the country would be in if it had to choose between a Democratic tweedle-dum and a Republican tweedle-dee. I want to amend this simile, so let me put it this way: The Democratic Party will not survive as an effective force in the nation if the voters have to choose between a Republican tweedle-dum and a Democratic tweedle-dummer."

FDR SAID IT

Those are not my words. They are the words of the greatest of all Democrats, the greatest statesman of our generation—Franklin Delano Roosevelt. He was speaking before the Young Democratic Clubs of America on Aug. 8, 1939 and in the same speech he also said this:

"If we nominate conservative candidates, or lip-service candidates, on a straddle-bug platform, I personally," said Mr. Roosevelt, "for my own self-respect and because of my long service to, and belief in, liberal democracy, will find it impossible to have any active part in such an unfortunate suicide of the old Democratic Party."

Franklin Roosevelt saved the Democratic Party from that suicide in 1940 by consenting to run for a third term. In the process he was deserted by Jim Farley. Now Farley is back in good graces. He is back in time to participate in the suicide that Roosevelt prevented in 1940.

I, no more than Roosevelt, could remain in the party which has betrayed the principles in which I believe. Happily in 1948 we have a place to go where we can actively carry on the fight.

BACKS WALLACE

I am going to cast my lot with Henry Wallace in his brave and gallant fight for peace. I am convinced that Henry Wallace is the

only leader capable of ending the cold war and reestablishing even the beginnings of international good will. He is the only leader of sufficient stature to aspire to the Presidency who has not sought the cheap applause of the reactionary press by blaming all our troubles on Russia. He is the only leader we can put forward who has the confidence of peoples everywhere.

FREE TO FIGHT

It is going to be wonderful to campaign side by side with Henry Wallace in a new party with all the idealism and enthusiasm which is bound to be created by such a rare opportunity in American politics. Now I will be free to fight this bipartisan coalition and all its work; Taft-Hartley—Universal Military Training—this drive toward war-high prices and racial discrimination and suppression of civil liberties.

I know that I am going to feel good in the realization that I am not teamed up with the big city bosses Kelly, Hague, Flynn, Curley, Pendergast and I will not have to try to reconcile my views to the medieval Jimcrow concepts of Crump and Rankin and all the other poll taxers and professional enemies of human freedom and fundamental American rights.

Neither will I be faced with the problems confronted by the pitifully small group of Republican liberals who have to swallow and rationalize a program laid down for them by Mr. Pew, Col. McCormack, Sen. Taft and the National Association of Manufacturers. I am going to feel good inside.

I do feel good because I can come swinging for the things in which I believe without fear of stepping on the prejudices or privileges of some unsavory associate. No Pauleys, no oil, no Wall Street, no generals, no privileged few.

Some liberal candidates will be

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FATHER-SON SPAT ENDS IN SUBWAY DEATHS

A father and son stood on a subway platform last night arguing bitterly. Suddenly, as a train roared into the station, the younger man pushed his father onto the tracks in front of it.

But, as he fell, the father grabbed his son's arm and pulled him down,

too. Both fell before the train whose motorman jammed on the brakes but not in time.

Two cars of the local train passed over the bodies of Royal Lefkowsky, 51, and his son, Felix, 27.

The older man was killed almost

instantly. The son, both of his legs severed, lived for an hour and 20 minutes—long enough to tell police what had happened. They asked him why he had been fighting with his father.

"He was no good," the son replied.

Ask Benelux To Reich Talks

LONDON, Feb. 23 (UP).—Secret, informal talks on Germany opened here today among the western allies, the United States, Britain and France. Their first action was an invitation to the Benelux countries—Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxembourg—to join the conference.

Truman Pours on The Molasses

CHRISTIANSTED, St. Croix, V. I., Feb. 23 (UP).—President Truman predicted today that increasingly better air facilities will stimulate the commerce of the Virgin Islands, which now is confined almost entirely to sugar, molasses and rum. Truman spoke here briefly during a tour of the island of St. Croix.

Bars Catholic Rites To Communists

MILAN, Italy, Feb. 23 (UP).—Ildefonso Cardinal Schuster, Archbishop of Milan, instructed the clergy in his diocese today to refuse absolution to Communists and members of other political parties adverse to the Catholic faith.

Teachers, Vets Push School Bills in Albany

Special to the Daily Worker

ALBANY, Feb. 23.—A strenuous week of mass lobbying opened here tonight as 250 teachers and several hundred members of the Jewish War Veterans arrived to put the pressure on for various measures dealing with education.

The teachers, members of New York Local 555 of the CIO Teachers Union, came to revive the battle for the Young-Millmoe Bill to add \$103,000,000 to the state contribution to education. They are also opposing the "merit" clause for salary increases which Gov. Dewey slipped over last year.

Delegations of teachers were meeting with legislative leaders and members of the legislature from New York City, particularly Republicans, at a late hour tonight.

The Jewish War Veterans, under the leadership of State Commander Leo Price, are battling for passage of the bill to bar discrimination in the colleges and universities.

The JWV program goes considerably further than the proposal of the Young Commission for a state university, which Gov. Dewey is expected to endorse.

It also proposes removal of tax exemptions where colleges continue

to discriminate; to give organizations, as well as individuals the right to file complaints and to prohibit specifically geographic quotas which are used as a cover for discriminatory practices.

Bills embodying these principles have been introduced by Assemblymen Alfred Lama (D-Kings); Joseph Soviero, (R-Kings); Samuel Kaplan (ALP-Kings) and by Senators William Rosenblatt (D-Kings) and Kenneth Sherbell (ALP-Kings).

Tomorrow a large delegation of New York City tenants will be up here demanding effective state rent control and housing measures. Some 250 consumer, labor, tenant and veterans groups will be represented.

The Mayor's so-called "Package plan" for city financing, including the proposal to pave the way for increasing the fare, will probably be introduced into the legislature tomorrow or Wednesday.

Point of Order

By ALAN MAX

THIS IS THE ORDER in which the parties scored in the Bronx by-election: American Labor, Democratic, Liberal and Republican. We know that the Republican Party considers a third party "un-American." What do they think of a fourth party?

Truman Asks Housing Legislation

By Gerald Cook

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.—President Truman today repeated his recommendations to Congress for a long and short range housing program calling for the annual construction of 1,000,000 new dwellings for the next 10 years, resumption of government-aided low-rent housing and rent control extension until April 30, 1949.

In his lengthy message, submitted a few days before the scheduled National Veterans Housing Conference to be held here Sunday and Monday, the President asked Congress to provide funds for building a half million public units in the next five years.

Truman said many of the recommendations are contained in legislation at present before Congress, but he declined to single out a single specific measure to back. He failed to mention either the Taft-Henderson-Wagner Housing Bill (S-906) or the Taylor-Douglas Bills (S-701 and HR 1750) for moderate income veterans' housing.

The President declared nearly a million housing units were built in 1947. Of this, 835,900 units, he said, were new dwellings while the rest were temporary structures and trailers.

Although he conceded that less than 15 percent of this 1947 figure was rental housing, and that no housing was provided for low income groups, the President nevertheless termed it "an excellent accomplishment."

The Truman message urged a five-point legislative program:

- Continue and strengthen rent control.
- Stimulate home building with emphasis on rental housing.
- Reduce building costs.
- Assist communities to provide low-rent housing.
- Aid cities in rebuilding and modernizing slum areas.

Truman noted that dwellings decontrolled under the 1947 Act had risen on the average more than 60 percent. He was silent, however, regarding the real estate lobby's rent control bill now being debated in the Senate.

He confined himself to boasting that he had "on numerous occasions pointed out the serious effect that large increases in rents would have upon the excessively high cost of living."

While asking protection for tenants who signed the 15 percent "voluntary" rent boosts last year, the message urges continuation of relief for landlords.

"It is important," Truman declared, "to continue to provide for the orderly decontrol of rents in line."

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HAGANAH members in Palestine on guard against attacks.

British Involved in Zion Blast, Declares Jewish Agency

The Jewish Agency for Palestine's office here yesterday charged that British police and soldiers were implicated in the Jerusalem explosion which killed 49 and wounded about 100 in the Jewish quarters. It based its charge on a cable received from its Palestine

WALLACE DEMANDS UN ARMY TO ENFORCE ZION PARTITION

Henry Wallace yesterday demanded that President Truman immediately call upon the Security Council to establish a United Nations army to enforce Palestine partition. Acting on the eve of the Council's opening session on Palestine, he asked that the embargo on arms to the Jews be lifted. Wallace declared "The United States through the UN must enable the Jews to protect themselves." He called for an end to aid to the British government "which arms the Arabs while it is the recipient of United States funds."

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt and three other prominent Americans urged similar action in an appeal to the Security Council. In a statement issued through the American Association for the United Nations, they urged formation of an international army, lifting of the embargo, and consideration of political and economic sanctions against the Arabs. Former Gov. Herbert H. Lehman of New York, former Under-Secretary of State Sumner Welles and Sen. Elbert Thomas (D-Utah) also signed it.

Wallace charged that "on the eve of the Security Council's decisive meeting on the Palestine crisis, President Truman and his Administration are still attempting to stall action until after the elections. But neither the Arab extremists or the British authorities who defy the UN are impressed by lip service. Not a

single Jew will be saved by lip service.

"The inescapable truth is that there is no solution of the Palestine crisis without American leadership. American leadership means that the United States, together with Soviet Russia, can immediately win an overwhelming majority of the Security Council to the use of an international force to implement partition, and to the adoption of measures which will force the British to halt shipment of arms to the Arabs.

"The U. S. has the responsibility of lifting the arms embargo which keeps the Jewish people of Palestine helpless in the face of possible massacre. Lifting the embargo."

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Couple Apart 34 Yrs., Get Together Again

SWANSEA, Wales, Feb. 23.—Arthur Lewis couldn't find a job in Wales in 1914, so he set out from Swansea for South Africa to start life anew. He kissed his wife goodbye and promised to send for her when he got settled.

Today, 34 years later, Mrs. Amy Lewis, 68, left Swansea for Johannesburg to join her husband. He is settled now in a regular job as a contractor's clerk.

"Arthur and I correspond regularly," Mrs. Lewis said.

Czech Gov't Bares Plot of Nat'l Socialists

PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia, Feb. 23.—The Interior Department today announced discovery of evidence that the National Socialists were planning an armed uprising and

seizure of public buildings in Prague, and police arrested two army officers and several civilians in connection with the plot. A warrant was issued for the arrest of Jan Ursiny, Vice premier, who was among the 12 who submitted their resignations.

Police occupied the offices of the National Socialist Party and conducted a search of the premises. Interior Minister Václav Nosek released a document found in the possession of one of the arrested leaders which gave detailed plans for the uprising. The document was issued by the main secretariat of the National Socialist Party, the Interior Ministry stated.

The Ministry identified the two arrested officers as V. Tajchman and Jaroslav Nemecek. The names of the arrested civilians were not published, but it was reported earlier that six National Socialist leaders had been arrested.

DEFER ASSEMBLY SESSION

The session of the Constituent Assembly scheduled for tomorrow was postponed, and President Eduard Benes appealed for calm.

The Interior Ministry also forbade all foreign travel by Czechs without official permission. Police guards were stationed at public buildings and downtown street intersections, and special Army patrols reinforced the police detachments.

The Catholic People's Party announced that several of their district offices in provincial cities had been searched during the day, and that Felix Uhl, Party youth leader, had been arrested.

Meanwhile the Social Democratic Party agreed to discuss a Communist proposal for solution of the cabinet crisis.

Lawyers Rap Marshall Plan

By Ruby Cooper

CHICAGO, Feb. 23.—Clear-cut opposition to the Marshall plan was voted here last night by the convention of the National Lawyers Guild.

With only four delegates voting against the resolution, the convention declared "the unilateral character" of the Marshall plan permits the U. S. to "impose conditions upon the recipient nations, and thus to interfere with the internal affairs of such countries."

"A sound program for genuine aid," the resolution stated, should be administered through the United Nations.

After lengthy discussion, the resolution was amended in favor of "interim" aid by the U. S. until agreement is reached to channel it through the United Nations, but stressed that aid should be granted without political strings.

Re-elected at the closing session were Robert Kenny, former California attorney-general, president; and Robert Silberstein, Washington, executive secretary. Nathan Kogan, New York, was named treasurer.

Vice presidents include Bartley Crum, San Francisco; William Hastie, governor of the Virgin Islands; Judge Ira Walte Jayne, Detroit; and O. John Rogge, New York.

Communists Demand Revocation of Death Decree for Georgia Mother

The Communist Party yesterday demanded that Gov. Melvin E. Thompson of Georgia and President Truman act immediately to revoke the death sentence passed by an all-white Schley County, Georgia jury against Mrs. Rosa Lee Ingram and two sons, aged 15 and 13.

As set forth in the messages to Gov. Thompson and the President, the facts in the Ingram case are as follows:

Last November, Mrs. Ingram, widowed Negro mother of 12 children, was attacked by a white farmer, John Stratford, who threatened to kill her with a hunting rifle because her pigs had trespassed on his land. In the scuffle that ensued when her sons came to Mrs. Ingram's defense, Stratford was killed by a blow on the head.

The all-white jury sentenced Mrs.

Georgia Wallace Rally Hits 'Legal Lynching'

MACON, Ga., Feb. 23.—Wallace-for-President forces at a rally here last weekend called upon Governor Thompson to prevent the "legal lynching" of Mrs. Rosa Ingram and her two sons, Negroes sentenced to death for the slaying in self-defense of a white farmer at Ellaville.

The resolution pointed out that the judge who sentenced the three Negroes is a leading member of the Talmadge forces, Georgia's rabid white supremacists.

Ingram and her two boys to die in the electric chair on February 27. A motion for a new trial has been made by attorneys for the NAACP and will be argued on March 6.

The arrest of Mrs. Ingram and her two sons left the remaining children, the youngest 17 months and the oldest 11 years, without any provision for their care. The landlord, C. M. Dillinger, promptly confiscated the Ingram's milk cow, calf, 15 hogs, and the whole crop of corn, cotton, cane and pepper which they had farmed on a 50-50 share basis.

In addressing the Communist Party messages to President Truman and Gov. Thompson, William Z. Foster, Eugene Dennis, N. Y. City Councilman Benjamin J. Davis and Henry Winston declared that the tragic case of the Ingrams symbolizes the oppression of the whole Negro people by the white supremacists and Bourbons of the South.

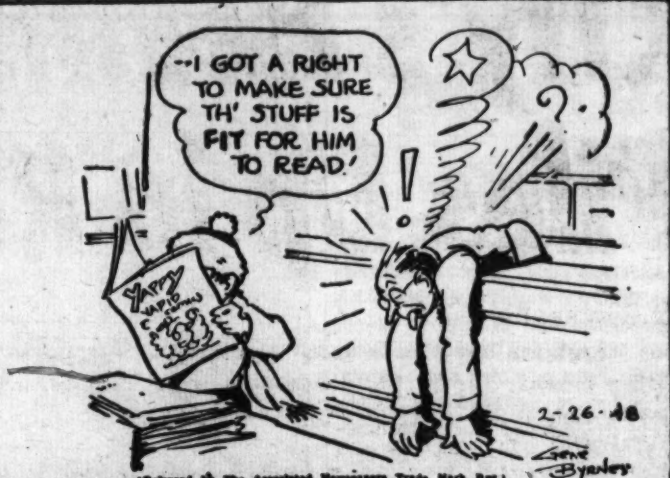
The letter to President Truman called for prompt action as evidence that Mr. Truman has not surrendered "completely to the 1948 southern secessionist conspiracy."

Pork Prices Off

CHICAGO, Feb. 23 (UP).—Pork-on-the-hoof dropped sharply in price at many big midwestern livestock centers today because of unusually heavy shipments from farms to market.

REG'LAR FELLERS—Direct Call

By GENE BYRNES



Tenants Slam 12% Hike At Village Project

Tenants of the Knickerbocker Village project will protest tonight the 12 percent boost in rents for the 1,600 project families okayed by the Office of Rent Control. The meeting will be held in the project auditorium and will be addressed by former Assemblyman John J. Lamula, a project resident.

Lamula has invited Francis M. Johnson, area rent director of the ORC, who signed the letter to tenants calling for the rent boost. The increase was granted under the "hardship" provisions and was okayed by the ORC and the New York State Division of Housing.

The increase will amount to \$150,000 yearly for Fred F. French Co., owners of the houses, which are a limited dividend project.

The Knickerbocker Village Ten-

ants Association is sending representatives to Washington Friday to protest the increase to the ORC national office.

Philip Good, chairman of the tenants group, claims a hearing is mandatory. He declared that only three-quarters of one percent increase would be necessary to cover increased operation charges.

The balance, 11 1/4 percent, was granted because the "maximum rent . . . is substantially lower than the rent generally prevailing in the New York City defense-rental area for comparable accommodations."

The tenants pointed out that KV is a semi-public project with tax exemption, public loans and subsidies and guaranteed profits, and is therefore not entitled to the rentals paid in private housing of the same accommodations.

Doctored City Record Up in Council Today

By Michael Singer

Members of the majority side of the City Council are expected to be a red-faced, embarrassed lot this afternoon. Council progressives will demand that they explain how the City Record published a doctored account of the report adopted at last week's stormy session which denied Simon W. Gerson, Communist designee, his rightful seat as successor to the late Peter V. Cacchione.

The report of the Rules Committee, headed by Brooklyn Democrat Walter R. Hart, passed 13-5 recommended that the Council "defer" action on its proposal to deny Gerson a seat until the courts decided the issue.

It suggested that "action on the part of the Council be deferred for the purpose of enabling the Communist Party to take such legal action as it may deem advisable to bring the issues involved here before the proper tribunal."

In the official records, however, this buck-passing version of the Council report appeared as follows:

" . . . the report was adopted and the resolution removed from the calendar."

ONLY RECOMMENDED

The resolution referred to in the City Record—Number 564—was introduced by Manhattan Communist Benjamin J. Davis and called for the prompt seating of Gerson. Not only wasn't the resolution removed from the calendar but Davis, during the course of the stormy debate last week, said he would demand that the Rules

Committee at its very next session, discharge his petition.

The Council never adopted a report rejecting nor approving the Davis resolution; it merely voted for a recommendation to let the courts decide the issue—something which noted lawyers have explained is neither "triable nor judicable."

Davis, who with Manhattan Independent Stanley M. Isaacs, led the fight against the Hart report, will demand of the Council today an explanation for the phony account in the City Record. In the meantime, the Gerson issue has become more than ever of a hot potato for the Democratic Councilman.

The Councilman are not un-Flynn machine in the Bronx last week by Laborite Leo Isacson and the latter's prompt blast of "Democratic local politicians who are introducing the poll tax in the North" has created a new sense of jitters in City Hall.

JOLTED BY PRESSURE

The Councilman are not unaware, either, of the citywide conference being held this Saturday in Brooklyn to seat Gerdson. The Liberal Party members who split on the report last week—Palestin of the Bronx voting against the report while Louis P. Goldberg of Brooklyn led the red-baiting attack on Gerson—were further jolted last week by the Americans for Democratic Action which urged that Gerson be seated.

While the Councilmen succeeded in by-passing their responsibility, there is no doubt that they are shaky on the issue.

High School Censorship—Is It Sex or Politics?

By Joseph North

A day's visit now to De Witt Clinton High School may teach some people more than four years at college. And I wouldn't credit the Board of Education for the tutelage.

My one day there convinced me that the reasons given for banning *Gentleman's Agreement* and *Focus* from the school's library are false—and that the students know it.

The first thing I encountered was a knot of youths on the walk outside the building volubly discussing the ban.

"These books were published by reputable firms, weren't they?" a senior argued. "One of them was made into a movie, wasn't it? I saw that movie. And I can't understand why I'm not supposed to read the book."

Another spoke of the fine documents hanging on the school's walls, replicas of those on the Freedom Train. "Don't they mean students when they say Bill of Rights?" he asked. Some were veterans who had returned to resume their education. It seemed slightly ludicrous to them that "sex" was given as a reason for barring Laura Z. Hobson's book from the library shelves. "There must be something else to it," a junior said.

Among those with whom I spoke were seniors Alvin Myerson, 17, Frank Prince, 18, Sam Bloom, 17, Harry Kirschbaum, 16, V. Tedesco, 17, K. Kaplowitz, 17, and juniors like Charles Bivens, 17, D. Shapiro, 16, and D. Prager, 16.

A TIRED MAN

The principal, Dr. John V. Walsh was a tired man by the time I got there to interview him about the ban. He proposed that we talk through the mediation of his secretary Miss Claire Simonson. "He's talked to so many people about the books" she explained wearily, "that he can't take time out for any more."

I inquired if I could see the report on the two books by the teachers' committee appointed by Dr. Walsh. Miss Simonson returned with the report. It was succinct:

"The committee voted to accept the books as gifts for the library. They did not recommend either

as literature, and they found *FOCUS* especially unworthy from a literary standpoint."

Dr. Walsh then referred me to a report in the morning press that Frederick Ernst, associate superintendent of the city's schools declared the ban would remain in effect regardless of the teachers' vote to accept the books. He repeated the original reasons given: that *Focus* is offensive to the Catholic Church and that *Gentleman's Agreement* makes light of extramarital relations. "I have nothing further to add" Dr. Walsh said.

CAN'T TALK TO PUPILS

I then requested permission to visit the school library for I was eager to discover the kind of books the school offers the students. Miss Simonson returned with Dr. Walsh's permission but she handed me a note to give to George P. Moore, the librarian. It read: "Dr. Walsh has given Mr. North permission to look about the library, but he is not to talk to the pupils or teachers."

Reluctantly I accepted the vow of silence and spent some time among the books which were impressive, indeed. They totaled some 12,000 and I encountered the Bible, Shakespeare, Cervantes, Poe, Mark Twain, O. Henry, H. G. Wells, Thomas Hardy, Thackeray, Sinclair Lewis and many others. Really a rich assortment.

Of course, Albert Payson Terhune and his novels about dogs were included and I recalled the judgment of the teachers' committee that Arthur Miller's *Focus* was "especially unworthy from a literary standpoint." However, let that pass for the moment. The argument of "quality" is debatable, and evades the issue.

But, I contend, Associate Superintendent Ernst is evading the issue when he explains the ban because *Gentleman's Agreement* has some "fairly light sexy passages."

I don't believe sex has anything

to do with it.

What I saw at De Witt Clinton convinces me that explanation is a lie. Here is why:

Everybody should applaud the presence on the library shelves of the masters whose works I saw there. The students merit this great literature but none of these authors could make the grade the Board of Education demands of *Gentleman's Agreement*, Shakespeare, Thackeray, Tolstoy believed that sex was an established phenomenon among mankind.

Thumbing through some of the books recommended in the school's official prospectus (see page 65), I encountered *Dodsworth*, by Sinclair Lewis.

I am generally opposed to taking quotations out of context, but I do so to prove my point that many books available to high school students do discuss "sex" and "extramarital affairs."

On page 265 of *Dodsworth*, one of the characters says to her husband: ". . . Of course he's had other affairs—perhaps lots of them. Thank heavens for that! Let me tell you, my dear Samuel, it would be better for you, and for me both, if you'd devote a little of your valuable time to the despised art of rousing a woman to some degree of romantic passion—if you'd given some attention you've lavished on carburetors to me—and possibly even to other women. . . ."

DODSWORTH ON SHELVES

Well, that passage is in *Dodsworth* and *Dodsworth* is on the shelves at De Witt Clinton. And, I daresay, at many other schools. Time did not allow me to go through the Song of Songs and other chapters of the Bible.

I also found, in this commendably wide range of literature, Zola's *Nana*, which is a novel about a prostitute, Tolstoy's *Anna Karenina*, whose plot is too well-known to discuss, and many similar books.

So, I contend, the "sex" explanation for banning *Gentleman's Agreement* is false.

I contend the reason is this: Laura Hobson's book opposes anti-Semitism. Arthur Miller's book opposes anti-Semitism.

And a Board of Education that displays respectful tolerance for May Quinn while it suspends Isidor Rubin (for picketing) is wide open to charges of anti-Semitism.

If I am wrong, I would like to hear Superintendent Ernst's reply. So would some millions of New Yorkers.

Communists Urge Legislators Respect Albany Hotel Pickets

Members of the State Legislature were urged yesterday by the New York State Communist Party to respect picketlines before the Hotels Ten Eyck and DeWitt Clinton in Albany.

In a telegram to Local 471 of the Hotel and Restaurant Workers, the Communist State Committee pledged its support "until the demands of your members are met." The wire was signed by Robert Thompson, state chairman, and was adopted at a week-end meeting of the State Committee.

The text of the wire follows:

"Greetings to strikers at Hotel Ten Eyck and DeWitt Clinton.

We pledge wholehearted support to fight for your just and modest demands. We call upon all legislators and legislative representatives to respect your picket lines and otherwise aid your organizations until the demands of your members are met."

Particular interest is centered in the strike because the two hotels are the main stopping places for the 200 state legislators and scores of their aides and legislative representatives.

State Kenneth Sherbell and Assemblyman Samuel Kaplan, of the American Labor Party, have already indicated their refusal to pass the picket lines.

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City's Health Menaced as Garbage Piles Up in Residential Streets

By Bernard Burton

Eight million men, women and children in the world's wealthiest city are threatened with a health and body-destroying attack. The threat does not come from A-bombs or new weapons of warfare but from decaying, putrid garbage heaps which have been permitted to pile up near apartment houses, groceries, restaurants and schools in the city's working-class districts.

In Brooklyn, the Bronx, Harlem, the lower East Side and parts of Queens a thorough garbage collection has not taken place in months. Even dead cats have been left lying around under the heaps. Peculiarly enough, you won't find the shoulder-high curbside garbage piles in such residential areas as the swanky part of Park Avenue or Central Park South.

While a fight for a long-range program is needed to bring city services up to minimum requirements of decency, the clearing of the smoldering refuse now lying around the city requires immediate emergency steps. The big snow brought emergency steps to restore trade and other activities; the present situation calls for emergency steps to protect the health of all families here.

The City administration can immediately employ extra crews to clean up the city before warm weather brings the danger of epidemics.

PENNY-PINCHING CAUSE

The cause of this situation, which would be considered a civic disgrace in any war-torn city in Europe, does not lie with the great snow of Dec. 26 as city authorities have led many to believe.

The cause lies basically with Gov. Dewey's penny-pinching policies which have starved municipalities for funds, and with spare-the-wealthy taxation which has caused the breakdown of one city service after another.

One of the most scandalous breakdowns in city service has been in sanitation work. There are fewer men employed in the city Sanita-

Hire More Men, Urges Union Official

An official of the CIO Sanitation Workers yesterday disputed claims of the Sanitation Department that the garbage cluttering up the city's streets can be cleaned up by Tuesday or Wednesday. The official, Alex Rosner, organizer of the local, called for immediate employment of large numbers of additional men, who have already passed sanitation examinations, and extra equipment.

A spokesman for the Sanitation Department had said earlier that 140 extra trucks and 200 extra men were being employed daily for this purpose.

Rosner urged that all or a large portion of the more than 5,000 men who have passed sanitation examinations be put to work immediately. "This is at least as great an emergency as the Dec. 26 snow," Rosner declared. "The health of our children is being imperiled through political buck-passing and penny-pinching."

tion Department today than in 1932 when the population was smaller by two million. The Department has 3,000 fewer men than before the war, with its full staff now 10,000, including executives.

Only a little more than half of this 10,000 is assigned to collection and waste disposal.

And in case anyone has the idea that it is possible to work with fewer men today because of improvements in equipment, here are a few more facts to ponder. This city has not purchased a new collection truck since 1938 and most of its present equipment was purchased between 1936 and 1938.

WORN EQUIPMENT

Recently Sanitation Commissioner William J. Powell stated that 80 percent of the Department's rolling stock is outworn and inefficient. Approximately 30 percent of the Department's equipment is always out of commission, undergoing repair.

It is true that the great snow of Dec. 26 aggravated conditions, but there is no reason why almost two months after that event, slush and snow and garbage still line the curbs in Brooklyn, Bronx and other areas.

The big storm became a problem only because of the Model-T setup in the Sanitation Department. The fact is the Department's equipment was so beat up before Dec. 26, that when the snow came, at least half

of the trucks were down. Many of those thrown into service operated with many dangerous defects.

And it is not as if the city has not been warned time and again of the dangers involved in squeezing the Sanitation Department. James Griesi, president of CIO Sanitation Workers Local 333, pointed out recently that the Police and Fire Departments have been getting additional personnel while not a single regular man has been added for sanitation work.

Griesi declared that the men work six days, 48 hours a week, with no paid holidays, except Christmas—unless it snows on that day. Even Sundays off are not guaranteed; if the men have to work on that day they are paid straight time.

With this rickety equipment and sub-standard working conditions, it is no wonder that the Sanitation Department has a higher illness or accident rate than any other city unit—including the Police and Fire Departments.

With 10,000 men on the staff, 15,895 reported ill in 1947—or an average of more than one illness per man.

In his annual message to the City Council, Mayor O'Dwyer asked for appropriations of more than \$4,000,000 to construct four incinerators throughout the city. Thus far most refuse has been disposed of through the use of antiquated and unsanitary land fills.

In addition the Sanitation Department has ordered a number of new pieces of rolling equipment, mostly parts. This is all to the good, but is only a drop in the bucket compared to the city's needs.

Meanwhile, if a long stretch of warm weather should come suddenly, the city, and especially the children, face frightening health hazards. Flies and other bearers of disease breed on garbage heaps and when these heaps continue to rot near homes, baby carriages, groceries and schools, the city faces one of the most dangerous attacks in its history.

Steel Mogul Says U.S. Can't Stop Inflation

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Feb. 23 (UP).—Irving S. Olds, chairman of the board of the United States Steel Corporation, said today that he does "not know any certain means by which inflation can be effectively and constructively controlled under the conditions now prevailing in this country."

British Baby Girl to Live Because All Her Blood Was Replaced

CHESTER, England (UP).—Week-old Margaret Jones gurgled happily in her hospital crib today with the prospect of a normal life before her, because every drop of her own imperfect blood had been replaced with the blood of a stranger whose name she never will know.

Margaret's blood was drained from her body only a few minutes after she was born a week simultaneously with injection of the blood of an anonymous donor.

Had this not been done, Margaret probably would have died, said the spokesman for the six doctors who performed the operation. All the doctors insisted upon anonymity.

The spokesman said the blood

of Margaret's parents, Edward J. Jones, 34, former Chester railway official, and his wife, Margaret May, 24, may be incompatible because of the possible presence of the Rhesus factor. Of their three earlier children, only one survived more than a few days.

When Margaret was born, her tiny flushed body was lifted to a table padded with absorbent cotton. The six doctors inserted two plastic tubes into her veins and in an hour drained out the baby's blood while replacing it with rhesus negative blood an anonymous Liverpool donor.

The spokesman for the doctors said Margaret now has a normal life expectation.



Garbage and Food: Muck and refuse litter the curb only a few steps from an open fruit and vegetable stand at 137 St. and St. Ann's Ave., the Bronx. When weather is warm, the stench of decaying refuse fills the street.

Daily Worker Photo by Peter

DAVIS AND GATES DEMAND CITY ACT TO CLEAN STREETS

John Gates, editor of the Daily Worker, and Councilman Benjamin J. Davis, in a telegram to City Council President Vincent J. Impellitteri, yesterday called upon the City to hire additional men and equipment to clean up the city's streets within the next week.

The telegram declared:

"The health of millions of New Yorkers is endangered by the smoldering garbage heaps now piled up along the curbstones, especially in working class districts. Urge immediate appropriations to employ thousands of men who have qualified for Sanitation jobs and immediate hiring of hundreds of additional trucks as during the Dec. 26 snowstorm. The refuse should be cleaned up immediately before a stretch of warm weather brings danger of epidemics."

Councilman Davis is president of Freedom of the Press, Inc., publishers of the Daily Worker.

Georgia Paper Halted in a dispute over a company notice regarding working conditions. COLUMBUS, Ga., Feb. 23 (UP). A management spokesman said Union printers failed to report for work today at the Ledger-Inquirer the paper may be photo-engraved.

To Hit Nurseries' Ouster of Kids

A delegation of mothers to protest the ouster of children from city-supported nurseries will go to City Hall this morning to meet with Acting Mayor Vincent Impellitteri. The city's nurseries are now supervised by the Department of Welfare which has ruled that children cannot remain in these nurseries when their parents' income exceeds that of relief clients.

The delegation is sponsored by the Child Care Center Parents Association which is campaigning for state funds to support the city nurseries, and the return of the centers to their former program of high educational, health and welfare standards.

Pope OKs Wedding Of Ex-King Mike

VATICAN CITY, Feb. 23 (UP).—Pope Pius XII today granted papal dispensation for the forthcoming marriage of Princess Anne of Bourbon-Parma and former King Michael of Romania.

Papal sources said dispensation was necessary because Michael belongs to the Eastern Orthodox Church and Anne is a Roman Catholic.

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VIRGIL—Hitting His Level



By LEN KLEIS

Sex Rears Ugly Head In British Tots' Pool

MIDDLETON, England, Feb. 23 (UP). — The Middleton Education Society banned mixed bathing in the municipal swimming pool for children seven to 11 years old today because it might tempt them to be immoral. The Rev. John Fairclough proposed the ban. "Children of those ages are curious," he said. "In bathing costumes this would be a very dangerous curiosity."

McKie, Gallo Quit as Officers Of Ford Local on T-H Issue

By William Allen

DETROIT, Feb. 23.—William McKie, trustee, and John Gallo, guide, resigned as officers of UAW Ford Local 600 after refusing to sign Taft-Hartley affidavits. A referendum participated in by 12,000 of the 65,000 Rouge workers voted 7,654 to 4,740 to instruct the local's officers to sign the affidavits.

John Gallo in a statement to the Executive Board said, "I consider it my duty as an officer of Local 600 who has been elected to serve the membership four times, to warn of the danger that is involved in any accommodation to the union-busting T-H law."

"I believe in and intend to champion, the exclusive right of the membership to decide who shall be their officers, without regard to race, creed or politics. The general council has instructed all officers to sign within 24 hours, therefore I am offering my resignation as guide, under protest to become effective upon acceptance by the general council."

"I will continue in every way to be active, though I still believe that the decision to file affidavits will be harmful to the maintenance of solid democratic unionism."

William McKie, first president of Ford Local 600 in the early '30s, whose 50th year of activity in the labor movement was recently celebrated by the local and who received a plaque from President Tommy Thompson for his work in the union, said in a statement to the executive board:

"I have been directed to sign an affidavit swearing that I am not a member of the Communist Party."

It is certainly known by most of the Ford workers that I cannot abide by any such order since I am, and intend to remain a member of the Communist Party. Moreover, such an order is an obvious violation of my democratic and constitutional rights as an American citizen.

"It is well to remember," said McKie, "that 17,000 members of local 600 re-elected me trustee for a term of three years in the last local elections."

"The opposition, with the help of the monopolist press, made sure to remind everyone that I was a member of the Communist Party. And for my own part, I would not keep it a secret since I am proud of my record and that of my party in helping to organize the CIO, and especially the Ford workers and in fighting to protect their interests."

"In the meantime, the General Council of local 600 leaves me no recourse but to submit my resignation. I therefore do so under protest . . . and in the interests of preserving free elections in our union, I reserve the right to resume the post of trustee for the remaining period of my three year term in the event the U. S. Supreme Court upholds labor's claim that the affidavit requirement of the T-H law is unconstitutional. . . . Let me assure all my fellow

workers that the coming months and all the remaining years of my life will find me working in the cause of labor as I have always done from the earliest struggle which first built the Ford union.

"I call upon all members of local 600 to unite their ranks for defense of our union, for strengthening its democracy and fighting capacity."

It Was A Dirty Shame

BLANDFORD, Eng., Feb. 23 (UP). —If Cecil Edward Lambert's mission to London is successful, he'll return to his wife and even be able to take a bath for the first time in weeks.

Lambert left by bus today, on the advice of a sympathetic judge, in search for a tattoo artist.

He wants some initials off his arm. But he'll settle, he said, for a picture to cover them.

Lambert, 32, a stoker, served a prison sentence for marrying a WAAF in India when he already had a wife in Blandford. He left jail to find wife No. 1 waiting for him.

"But she wasn't prepared," he said, "for my arm. It was tattooed. With initials of the WAAF. I'm afraid to take off my shirt. Haven't had a bath for weeks, in case she should see my arm."

That was Lambert's explanation to a Blandford judge yesterday, when he was brought up on assault charges by his wife.

The judge told Lambert to come back in 30 days. Without the WAAF's initials.

Bucking the Machine

CHICAGO, Feb. 23 (UP).—Police said today they would have to release a man who swindles slot machines out of their jackpots.

Delbert Shinn, 36, of Chicago was arrested on complaint of a Moose Lodge at Celina, O. They said he drilled holes in the machines and tripped the jackpot mechanism with a wire.

"Sure, I do it all the time," he admitted readily. "But that's no crime. The machines are illegal. You can't take money illegally from something that's illegal."

Police searched through their law books and then decided that they would have to let him go.

ADA California Parley Turns Into Fiasco

Special to the Daily Worker

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 23.—What was designed to be the Democratic Party's big California show to prove that liberals are not deserting Truman for Wallace and the third party turned into a hilarious circus at the Americans for Democratic Action convention.

The state convention failed to accomplish a single piece of business and finally adjourned in confusion after a walkout by a quarter of all the delegates.

The complete story of the ADA fracas was suppressed by the press.

The issue which served as the excuse for a four-hour floor fight among the 100 delegates was the personal appeal made by Roy M. Brewer, Hollywood producer-favored head of the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees, for accreditation.

Brewer came to the convention directly from a meeting with State Senator Jack B. Tenney, at which he had been named a vice-chairman of Tenney's new front advisory committee.

While numerous well-intentioned delegates sat astounded that any in the convention would support the seating of Brewer in view of the widely-held opinion that his love for democratic procedures in the unions he controls is something less than average, a number of right-wing AFL bigwigs militantly took the floor and demanded Brewer's acceptance.

They supported Brewer's contention that he was just as liberal and just as anti-Communist as anyone else in ADA and made pointed statements questioning the Americanism of any delegates, however anti-Communist they might profess to be, who opposed seating Brewer.

Emmett Lavery, former Screen Writers Guild president, representing the Hollywood ADA, spoke against Brewer, arguing that his acceptance would make it impossible to enlist any more liberal support for ADA in Hollywood.

DESPOL COMES THROUGH

After four hours of wrangling, during which all of the regularly scheduled convention business was sidetracked, John Despol, CIO Steelworkers official and leader of the 19th Congressional District ADA group, pleaded for acceptance of Brewer.

He even offered to set aside the ADA constitution and accept Brewer as a member of the 19th Congressional District delegation to the convention, although Brewer lives in the Beverly Hills area of the 16th Congressional District.

It is reported Despol made the

plea in the name of labor unity—the same broken record he has been playing in the CIO Council to cloak his disruptive tactics there.

Even his tearful pleading, however, failed to convince some delegates who feared reaction among their 700 members throughout the state if Brewer were seated.

AFL WALKOUT

The convention proceeded to pass its first and only motion—referring the Brewer case to the ADA national headquarters in Washington.

In the confusion that followed, John Donovan, publicity man for W. J. Bassett, AFL Central Labor Council secretary, announced that all AFL members were to leave the hall.

A walkout of 25 of the delegates ensued, whereupon the convention disintegrated and no further business was transacted.

The suspicion with which ADA customarily examines each new applicant for membership to be certain he does not take any political attitude which is also shared by the Communists, was extended at the convention to the delegates themselves.

Melvyn Douglas, for instance, although a veteran Democratic machine campaigner and a bitter anti-Communist, was not chosen convention chairman and gave way to Charles Wellman, a building and loan official, because many delegates considered Douglas "too radical."

Reports were that corridor gossip during the convention was rife with rumor that "so-and-so is pretty left, what's he doing here?" and "didn't delegate X plug for Wallace in '44—he's probably a red."

Although photographers were in action and reporters invited from commercial papers were taking notes all Los Angeles newspapers killed the story in Monday editions.

Only the Los Angeles Times carried a few paragraphs Tuesday to the effect that the AFL hierarchy wants ADA put into less radical hands before it will come back into the fold.

Ford Workers Rap Soaring Profits

DETROIT, Feb. 23.—A petition by the Ford Workers for Wallace Committee has called upon President Truman to explain why the trusts are doubling their profits while the "poor get poorer every day."

The petition cites the huge profits of the corporations, pointing out that Wall Street is running the country.

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18 Stitches in Heart, 100 in Lungs Save Man Who Shot Self

PHOENIXVILLE, Pa., Feb. 23 (UP).—A former naval medical officer today described a five-hour long operation during which he placed 18 stitches in the heart and more than 100 others in the lung, stomach and diaphragm of a man suffering from a self-inflicted bullet wound.

The patient, William Woods, 25, Royersford, Pa., was reported in a "very satisfactory" condition at

Phoenixville General Hospital. The hospital said he was able to "speak coherently" despite the gravity of his wounds.

Woods was admitted to the hospital Saturday night one hour after he was found in his bedroom. Police said he shot himself with a .32 calibre revolver. The bullet took a downward course, furrowing through the left vertebra, piercing his lung and stomach, and shattering his spleen.

In the Negro Press

By John Hudson Jones

THE BLACK DISPATCH wants "to give President Truman full credit for his words" on civil liberties. But says the Dispatch "if the President actually desires to set a precedent respecting civil rights he can do some things immediately that will establish his integrity of purpose."

The Dispatch suggests that Truman abolish by Executive Order segregation and discrimination in the District of Columbia, and in the various federal departments. "He has a constitutional right to do these vital things if he so desires."

THE PITTSBURGH COURIER columnist Joseph D. Bibb is hot after Negro leaders who "are weak, vacillating and wavering. Those who have elected themselves to represent colored America are, for the most part fat, sleek, and soft. . . . We will get no rights until we yank the cowards and hypocrites down from the rostrums and run them out of the forums of public opinion."

THE MICHIGAN CHRONICLE is in ecstasy over President Truman's soft-soapy words on civil rights. He is even "exercising

stronger liberal leadership on behalf of colored citizens than the late President Roosevelt."

THE OHIO STATE NEWS says that "... on the subject of bigotry words always fall unless they reach the sources of action." It says that Americans have read a lot on the subject, and "the President of the United States contributed . . ." to the barrage of double-talk now filling the air.

"The guilty people are the whores of democracy! They sell their souls instead of their bodies. It is prostitution in every sense of the word. They use discrimination and segregation for a low and unworthy purpose . . . of gaining money and advantage."

"Two bold and mighty strokes, one for an equalized society, one for an equalized economy, both possible within our democracy, both indeed essential if our democracy is real, and the thing would be done . . . We've had enough words, now there must be action!"

CIO Parley on Civil Rights Gags Discussion

CLEVELAND, Feb. 23.—The 200 delegates to the two-day National CIO Conference on Civil Liberties here found themselves in a rigidly controlled gathering in which they were prohibited from introducing resolutions or discussing violations of civil rights by the Truman Administration.

The chairman of the conference, W. S. Townsend, president of the Transport Service Employees Union, ruled at the outset that sessions would be limited to "implementing the civil rights program of President Truman." At the instigation of Michael Mann, of the Chicago CIO Council, he ruled out of order a pledge of support to Philip Murray, who has been indicted for so-called T-H violations.

Townsend also ruled out of order a proposal by Ewart Guilmer, New York regional director of the CIO United Public Workers, that the conference call upon Truman to "issue an executive order ending segregation in the Army and banning race discrimination in federal government jobs."

Clarence Mitchell, national labor secretary of the NAACP, said his organization was interested in the campaign for Presidential action to end Negro discrimination in federal jobs. He suggested the United Public Workers launch a campaign for a Presidential executive order.

The only major figure present from the national CIO was Jack Kroll, national PAC director, Kroll's

role was to prevent any deliberation on the growing threat to civil liberties. Other scheduled speakers, including Philip Murray, Walter Ruethe and James Carey, canceled their engagements. The right wing made certain, however, that they had sufficient delegates to control the conference.

James Durkin, president of the Office and Professional Workers, demanded, on the second day, that the chairman explain if the meeting was called for the purpose of endorsing Truman's policies.

Townsend backed away from the question and said that "we are not interested in partisan politics."

Townsend then announced that nothing could be discussed except the panel reports which were drafted for the purpose of endorsing the report of the Truman committee.

Leo Perlis, chairman of the panel on "Working with Community Groups," turned over the reporting to Father George Higgins, a representative of the National Catholic Welfare Council.

IGNORE PLEA ON SMITH

A telegram from the National Maritime Union appealing for action on the deportation case of

Ferdinand Smith was ignored by the chairman.

Marie Reed, representing the Cleveland CIO Council, was ruled out of order by Townsend when she asked that the conference take action on the deportation cases against trade unionists and Communists.

"We are finding the same pattern here as was found in Nazi Germany," she said. "Now Murray is under indictment. The Bill of Rights means that protection must be extended to everyone. We must act."

Kroll was compelled by the majority of the delegates in the PAC panel to amend his prepared report in the following vital respect:

• It admitted that the Truman Committee on Civil Rights Report omitted mention of major violations of civil rights, such as those against industrial workers especially because of the Taft-Hartley Act and the Palmer raid style persecutions of aliens.

• Kroll finally accepted the Boston CIO convention's nine-point Civil Rights program as the basis for PAC activity instead of the President's Committee Report.

• Kroll admitted the CIO couldn't support the Section 4 recommendations of the President's Committee Report calling for "registration of organizations attempting to influence public opinion."

NAACP General Counsel Thurgood Marshall had advised the delegates that his organization was opposed to that section of the President's Committee Report because it "aimed more at progressive organizations like the NAACP than at fascist organizations that don't keep membership lists anyway."

CIO Steelworkers Associate National PAC Director Jack Thornton defied right wing conference leaders by openly castigating Truman's loyalty order and pro-segregation policies. Thornton said these policies "were isolating the remaining Negro government workers in Washington federal bureaus."

Townsend cut off any further remarks and promptly adjourned the conference without any closing remarks or motions.

FACTS FOR LEAFLETS

Remember last winter, when the British were freezing because they didn't have enough coal? Remember the cartoons, the editorials and the wisecracking news stories that blamed the shortage on socialism, even though there is no real socialism in England? Remember how they sneered that England could produce all the coal it needed if it just went back to an "efficient, competitive, free enterprise system"?

Wall Street brags of the "free enterprise" capitalist system in the United States. Yet we here are in the same jam the British were in, even though the United States was not bombed the way England was.

The "efficient, free enterprise" oil monopolies can't supply enough fuel to keep us warm or turn our factory wheels. Why? Just because we have that profit-grabbing "free enterprise" capitalism. Here's how:

The oil shortage is caused by:

(a) The armed forces taking almost 10 times the oil now than it took in pre-war days, frantically getting ready for a war of imperialist conquest, to bolster Wall Street's profits.

(b) Deliberate holding down of oil production in order to boost prices and profits.

(c) The fact that large amounts of fuel oil have gotten into the hands of chiseling black market speculators and profiteers.

But have you seen any editorials or cartoons blaming capitalism for the shortage, the way they blamed "socialism" in England?

The newspapers, owned by the same "free enterprise" hogs who caused the fuel crisis, blame the people for using too much oil. At the same time, they beg the people to pull the "free enterprise" oil trust out of a hole by saving oil that is, putting up with cold homes.

There is only one newspaper which puts the blame where it belongs, on the profit-greedy capitalist trusts. That's the Daily Worker. Read the Daily Worker for the truth.

Vet Tenants Set Up Grievance Committees

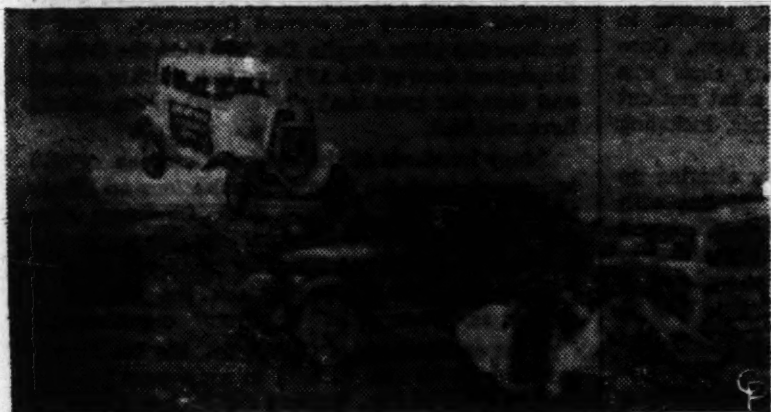
The New York Veteran Tenants Council will set up grievance committees in each of the city-operated emergency projects which will contact the Housing Authority whenever local managements fail to make necessary repairs, it was announced yesterday.

The veterans, under counsel of their legal representative, Congressman-elect Leo Isacson, have been advised to pay their February rents. Rents were withheld in protest over the high price of fuel and inadequate supply.

At a meeting Friday with James Gaynor, director of management of the Housing Authority, tenant representatives were assured the

Authority was working on a plan for equitable distribution of kerosene to all tenants in the next heating season. It was agreed that veterans' spokesmen would meet with legal representatives of the Housing Authority to discuss possible adjustment of rents based on income of veteran tenants and increased heating costs.

The Housing Authority agreed to send administrative agents to each project to investigate complaints



Daredevil Escapes Death: Stunt driver (top) heads flaming jalopy toward two ancient sedans during a death-defying stunt at a show in Los Angeles. The burning car (below) is shown after it had vaulted the first obstacle and smashed into the second auto. The driver crawled out of the wreckage shortly after as the flames were extinguished.

Says 500,000 to Vote for Wallace In Calif.

President Truman was told by James Roosevelt, chairman of the California Democratic Party, that Henry A. Wallace would poll half million in California. Drew Pearson said his weekly radio broadcast Sunday.

Roosevelt informed Truman that "the Wallace movement is snowballing fast." He expressed fear to the President that several Congressional districts in California would go the same way as the by-election in the Bronx last week.

When the President insisted that this was not his information, Roosevelt answered, according to Pearson, "I don't know where you get your information Mr. President, I am chairman of the state organization."

Family of 6 Die in Fire

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Feb. 23 (UP).—Six members of a prominent broker's family were killed and several persons including a Catholic priest who tried to rescue them were injured when fire destroyed their \$35,000 home while firemen were fighting a \$100,000 blaze in the business district.

Dead in the pre-dawn fire that destroyed the home were: H. Alan Gregg, Jr., 40, his wife, Ann, 39, and their children, Susan, nine, H. Alan II, eight, Peter, three and Thomas, 10 months.

Back Murray Fight Against T-H

The National Administrative Committee of the CIO Office and Professional Workers yesterday pledged its full support to Philip Murray in his contest of charges that he violated the Taft-Hartley Law.

The union announced that discussion of the Taft-Hartley Law will be one of the major points on the agenda of its forthcoming convention, March 1 to 5, in the Hotel St. George, Brooklyn.

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Around the Globe

By Joseph Starobin

The Czech Crisis—One of Growth

CZECHOSLOVAKIA'S CRISIS is being featured over here as though the Soviet Union were "sovietizing" another European state, etcetera. Nobody bothers to explain to us benighted Americans how a country which was supposed to be in "Soviet clutches" can now be said to be clutched once again. The same thing happened when Hungary got rid of some potential quislings last summer. Hungary was supposed to be a Soviet puppet, every schoolboy was told, when lo, and behold, she became a puppet again overnight!



To get away from this nonsense, it is necessary to see the important economic facts beneath the special features of Czechoslovakia's situation. While the first year of the Two Year Plan has done miracles—restoring production to 1937 levels—the development has been very uneven.

The building trades, which are not nationalized, only covered 58 percent of the Plan; the wholesale-retail distribution system (also not nationalized) was proving to be an avenue for black marketeering; speculation in food was especially dangerous because Czechoslovakia suffered a severe drought last summer.

On top of that, foreign trade has not been a state monopoly in Czechoslovakia, making it hard to run the nationalized sectors, which embrace factories with 350 workers or more.

The Communist Party, after its congress last Nov. 27, issued a letter to all members late last year which put the matter this way:

"Capitalist magnates who were deprived of their position in the banks and the large industries found a foothold in those sectors which had not been touched by nationalization.

"Here the parasitic elements concentrated their efforts, where they were able to make use of post-war difficulties and the shortage of goods to amass gigantic sums."

BUT THESE ELEMENTS also concentrated in the right-wing of the three main non-Communist parties—the National-Socialists (the men around President Benes); the Catholic Peoples Party, and the Social-Democratic Party. It should be remembered that the political relationship of these parties (which together make up the National Front coalition) was established long ago, in May, 1946.

A separate, although related problem, was the concentration of reactionary elements in the Slovak Democratic Party—in which actual foreign agents were discovered and cleaned out last Fall.

Moreover, the Czechoslovak state administration, the police and the foreign service still remained—in terms of key positions—in the hands of old-line politicians. They are skeptical of planning, and certainly hostile to an advance toward socialism and very enamored of the Marshall Plan.

The Communists led the cabinet by virtue of getting 38 percent of the votes in May, 1946—but in the last few months it became increasingly clear that the political relationships in the country were outdated, and certainly didn't correspond to the new problems created by the economic advance.

NEW ELECTIONS were scheduled for May. The Communists, who have 1,300,000 members (more than all others combined) were projecting the perspective of winning an absolute majority. It seems that on the issue of reorganizing the police force, the right-wingers of the other parties thought they could make election propaganda and isolate the Communist ministers. They thought to take advantage of the current difficulties which their own crowd created in the non-nationalized sector of the economy. Thus, they resigned from the cabinet, expecting to force the formation of a "government of experts" until May.

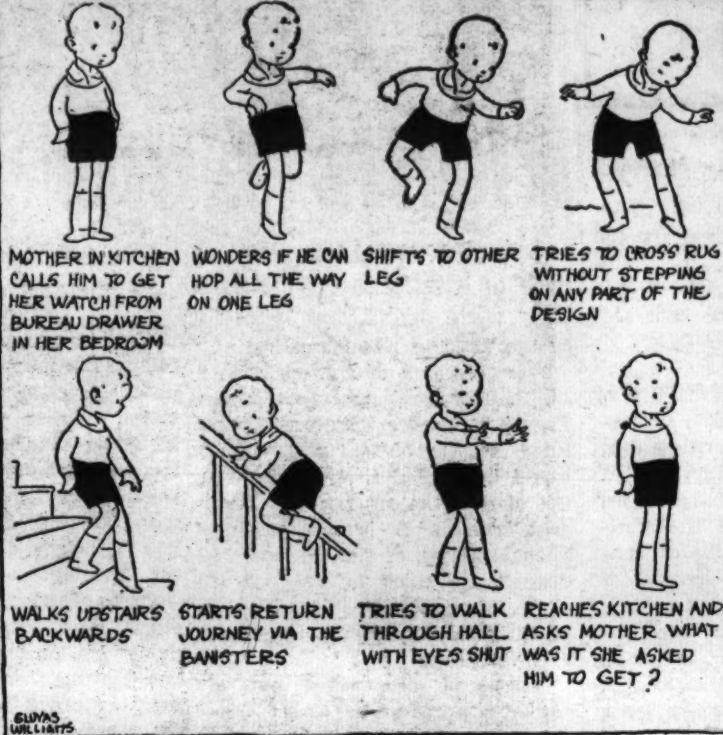
Of course, this economic and political background tells only part of the story. For it is interwoven with the far-reaching pressure of American imperialism on Czechoslovakia. It is understood very well in Wall Street and Washington that Czechoslovakia is the most industrialized member of the Slav grouping (apart from the USSR). It is also understood very well that Czechoslovakia's special political development, which distinguishes her from the other Slav and eastern European states, makes her a very sensitive avenue for the Marshall Plan offensive. At Munich, in 1938, the defeat of Czechoslovakia opened the way to Hitler's conquest of all Europe. As in so many other respects, Hitler's experience is well-studied on this side of the ocean. But I see we will need another day to explore this further.

ERRAND BOY

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By GLUYAS WILLIAMS

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Letters from Readers

Likes North's

Articles on Schools

New York.

Editor, Daily Worker:

I wish to thank Joseph North for his wonderful article on the (so-called) schools of New York. I want to thank him especially for the part on P. S. 19. I graduated from P. S. 19 last June, after six years of going there, and I think it's about time somebody wrote about it.

I have eaten in the basement lunchroom of the school many times. Have you ever thought about what would happen if a table fell off the wooden horses. I once spoiled a new dress when

a horse was shifted from under the table and a plate of soup fell into my lap. The basement not only served as a lunchroom, but it was our gymnasium too.

In one room on the first floor there was a pile of sawdust in the corner of the room. Once when a boy in my class was poking about in it, a rat ran out before the whole class, including the teacher.

Thank you also for clearing up the mystery about the flag with 45 stars, which was purchased when there were only 45 states in the union and never replaced. I never could figure out why it didn't have 48.

IRIS STAR.

Press Roundup

The press hid it so well you have to dig to find the story of the State Department's latest set of secret documents—those about the American government's knifing of the Jewish state in Palestine after the last war. While editorials in most of the press have agreed enforcement of the partition decision should be carried out, they carefully avoid spotlighting the State Department's current record. It's too much like the old one—back-knifing.

THE HERALD TRIBUNE advises: Both the U. S. and the USSR "are committed to the partition plan; if both approach the question in the realization that a new situation has arisen, in which it is better for both to impose order and try to maintain a rough status quo than it is to spar for points of power politics, an international force can be organized and in the process it may even be that the terrible deterioration of the world situation can be arrested."

THE SUN says of President Truman's report on the United Nations: "It is his judgment that whatever the disappointment in the 1947 record, UN is 'making headway.' All Americans who know how to read between the lines will know what the source of the disappointment has been and knowing that will be able to guess what the 1948 record of UN will be."

PM's Alexander Uhl talks about "half-truths on Greece, straight talk on China." He said, "... the cold economic fact remains that

the Greek drachma is worth less today than the day we began our Greek adventure. ... It is in this field that we had better make more progress, if we are not simply to become perpetual policemen for a wretched regime." Uhl cites Marshall's admission of corruption in China as contrast.

THE WORLD - TELEGRAM wants more arms, munitions and all-out participation of American officers in the Kuomintang Army as in Greece. "In the case of military advisers—the most desperate need of all—we suggest that the American military mission now cooling its heels in China be assigned to that duty at once."

THE POST curses both their houses—the Soviet Union and the United States State Department for opposing anything the other may favor. "Peace is won by concentrating on agreements, rather than debating our greatest differences," says the Post urging enforcement of the Palestine decision with an international force. "By a demonstration that it is possible for the world's two greatest powers to cooperate for just and honorable settlements within the framework of the United Nations, where an agreement on principle has been reached."

THE NEWS beats the war-drums over Korea and proposes that we get out of Japan, demand no Japanese reparations, and let the Japanese handle the Far East since "MacArthur says the Japanese government is now strong enough to keep the Reds where they belong if U. S. occupation forces are pulled out."

World of Labor

By George Morris

Witch-Hunting On An Assembly Line Basis

THE BUSINESS of witch-hunting is now on a huge assembly-line basis. Now that some 50,000 local, regional and national union officers have handed in Taft-Hartley affidavits, according to Labor Department estimates, there is something to work on.

The House Un-Americans have announced through Rep. McDowell that they will take over from there on. They will scrutinize the list and see how many on it can be classed as "a member of the Communist Party" or "support any organization that believes in or teaches the overthrow of the United States government by force or any illegal or unconstitutional means."

Anyone they can find who fits into the Un-American Committee's definition of what constitutes a Communist will be a candidate for a term of 10 years in jail and promptly shifted to the next assembly line—the Justice Department, FBI, the courts and the hoosegow.



I THINK IT IS A SAFE GUESS to put the number who could fall under the Un-American Committee's definition at several thousands. And I venture the guess despite the fact that the bulk of the signers were of the AFL and independent unions and that the great majority of CIO union officers have not filed.

Many hundreds of the signers have been, or still are, members of the 80-odd organizations on Attorney General Clark's "purge list." Chairman Parnell Thomas, it should be recalled, violently denounced Clark for not including hundreds more of organizations on his committee's list which are classed as "Communist" or "front" organizations.

Even on the basis of Clark's list, the Un-Americans should be able to haul in some very big fish from labor's ranks. William Green has for some time been associated with the Council of American-Soviet Friendship. Then there is Emil Mazey, secretary-treasurer of United Automobile Workers, who initiated the movement for compliance with the Taft-Hartley affidavits.

He was once a leader of an outfit known as the Proletarian Party, listed by Clark. And Walter Reuther was once so "red" that Hearst ran a series of articles picturing him as the very one who brought "orders" from Moscow.

I AM NOT SUGGESTING that Green, Mazey or Reuther need worry of a possible 10-year jail term for "falsely swearing" that they are not "Communists." But Clark's list with organizations that had, or have, many hundreds of thousands of members, is a very extensive dragnet for witch-hunters. It provides the means of slapping a "red" label on a great many people.

This doesn't mean that the purgers will run wild with their "un-Americanism" yardstick. They will first index the names of those who could by any stretch of imagination be classed as "red."

This will then provide the means of blackmailing union leaders. Those who ever become inclined to support some progressive cause, or give the wrong kind of endorsements in political elections, or prove too troublesome in negotiations with employers, or don't line up with the "right side" in internal union relations, might be gently reminded that they are not in jail only out of goodness of the Un-American Committee's heart.

THAT'S HOW AMERICA operates under Truman. Two million persons on the government's payroll have a "loyalty oath" blackmail hanging over them. Foreign-born Americans active in the labor movement find it difficult to get citizenship papers. After living here for two and three decades, some of them are suddenly seized when it turns out they oppose the Marshall Plan or support the left side in a union lineup. Police state powers are now being extended to more directly determine a union's leadership.

The Taft-Hartley law on the books is valued by the Democrats as their best weapon. What better way to keep some labor officials scared and on their political strings? So if you ever belonged to the American League Against War and Fascism, or attended one of the dozen labor schools listed, or if you ever endorsed something that seemed liberal, don't be surprised if some fine day a couple of J. Edgar Hoover's men pick you up as you leave the house.

COMING: Neruda, the Poet, Bares Chile President Videla's Betrayal . . . In the Weekend Worker

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The Promises Get Empty

A PROMISE a day will make November OK seems to be the frantic election strategy of President Truman.

Truman is promising everything. But his deeds belie his words in a way that has rarely been seen in our nation's history.

Truman made a speech against the Jimcrow system which is the bedrock of the Democratic Party's rule in the South. But the Democratic state governors have gathered to defy their party leader. Will Truman back up his nice words about Negro rights with decisive action against the Jimcrow governors? You can bet your last dollar he won't, and the governors know it despite all their hot talk about "secession."

Truman recently "ordered" the end of Jimcrow in the U.S. armed forces. But his own Secretary of Army Royall defied his orders, as did his Secretary of Defense Forrestal. And President Truman cagily pretended that he didn't see what was happening. He thus can garner credit as the big, brave foe of Jimcrow while his assistants—whom he could fire at will if he wanted to—make sure that Jimcrow remains.

Truman keeps on saying that he's a "liberal" and that the GOP is reactionary. He's right about the last all right. But Truman's false "liberalism" is beginning to smell so bad to the people that even his "we-will-love-you-always" followers among the backsliding pseudo-liberals are ashamed to mention his name at mass rallies.

The Americans for Democratic Action, which was organized to act as a liberal "front" for the Democratic Party machine, has found Truman's name so unpopular that they now say they're firmly against Henry Wallace, but "not so firmly" for Truman. They are trying to pretend an "opposition" to Truman since they failed to sell their hero as a popular candidate. Also, the people are not swallowing the "lesser evil" hoax as avidly as the ADA had hoped.

Every piece of election bait that Truman hands out to win the Wallace progressive vote only proves that the third party is the only practical challenge to the profiteers, militarists and war-makers in the land today.

Mrs. FDR and the Generals

MRS. ROOSEVELT is in favor of universal military training.

That's what she told the Americans for Democratic Action in Philadelphia last Saturday.

Naturally, Mrs. Roosevelt doesn't favor UMT in the same way that the out-and-out sabre-rattlers of the war party favor it. She favors it in a liberal way; she wants to make sure that we have a universal military training that will not be "militarist."

But the reason she gives for support of UMT shows that, regardless of her intentions, it will be the most militarist, war-breeding system this country has even seen. Mrs. Roosevelt wants universal military training, she said, because "we must show Russia that we mean what we say and that we will back up all our proposals."

And what are these "proposals" which Mrs. Roosevelt thinks will require a standing army of more than a million, and peacetime conscription of our youth? These proposals were thought up by the Wall Street trusts and their direct agents, such as John Foster Dulles of International Nickel, James Forrestal of Dillon Read & Co., and Robert Lovett of Brown Brothers & Harriman, bankers.

They include: revival of German cartels and war industry, in violation of the Potsdam agreement; U.S. monopoly of the atom bomb and ALL atomic development by way of a U.S.-controlled atomic corporation; financial and military support of every fascist-monarchist or reactionary dictatorship in the world—in Greece, China, Turkey, Latin America, the Middle East, Spain, etc.

To "back up" this plan for beating down democracy everywhere and opening up the path to Dollar Imperialism, Mrs. Roosevelt joins the militarists who want every American boy of 18 to be handed over to the generals.

True, the ADA didn't dare to back UMT—now. But Mrs. Roosevelt's support for it shows where the pro-Truman "liberal" front is heading.



U. S. MARINES hit the beach at Vieques Island in the Caribbean as the Atlantic fleet maneuvers get under way. Over 16,000 sailors, soldiers, and marines are taking part in the war games. At left, viewing the operations, are (l. to r.) Admiral W. H. P. Blandy, Commander in Chief of the Atlantic Fleet; Navy Secretary John L. Sullivan; Air Force Secretary Stuart Symington, and Army Secretary Kenneth C. Royall, Navy photo.

As We See It

Astoria Wonders About the George III Plan to Aid the Colonies

By Rob F. Hall WASHINGTON

"DON'T bother me," said Astoria. "I'm training myself for a job on the New Republic." "Sorry as I am for you to leave our employ," I said, "I am happy to see a young girl get on. But just what is the nature of this training?"

"I've got to learn a new style of writing," replied Astoria. "It's called the 'liberal viewpoint.' So I'm rewriting history, dealing with old happenings just as if I were writing about them at the time they happened. Here is how I handle the British in Africa."

Astoria handed me a typed sheet. I read:

"At the moment (1876) the Disraeli plan seems about as good as can be expected from a nation only emergent in recent years from the narrow philosophy of 'little Englandism' and still practicing the slow moving techniques of democracy. From the liberal viewpoint there are some things seriously wrong with the present version of Disraeli's magnificent project. We shall continue to call attention to these shortcomings. Nevertheless the overwhelmingly important fact is that the Egyptian people are hungry and their government has made a mess of their finances. Major Baring must be given every support to keep the Disraeli plan the fine project it was at the start."

"ASTORIA," I cried out in some amazement. "This is a shocking perversion of history. The Egyptian conquest was one of the rawest examples of British imperialism at its worst. Disraeli took advantage of the bankruptcy of the Khedive of Egypt and with government funds bought a controlling interest in the Suez Canal company."

"Sure," said Astoria. "England and France loaned a lot of money to the Khedive. Then they stepped in, appointed financial controllers and finally took complete control of the Egyptian government into their hands."

"And this Major Baring was a rogue," I reminded her. "He used police to collect the debt from the Egyptian peasants. The Egyptians rose up, overthrew the Khedive and set up a new government with Arabi Pasha at its head."

ASTORIA shook her head in assent. "Then the British battleships bombarded Alexandria and British troops invaded Egypt. After that Egypt became in fact if not in name a colony of Britain. But this is all hindsight. I'm suppose to be writing as a liberal who didn't know this was going to happen."

Then Astoria pointed to a sheaf of paper on her desk. "Here," she said, "I've done the same thing with the Theodore Roosevelt Plan for aiding Panama and the Woodrow Wilson Plan for developing

Mexico. Next I'm going to knock off a piece on the Herbert Hoover doctrine for saving the starving Nicaraguans."

"The light begins to dawn," I said. "But why not go back to the American Revolution and give us the liberal viewpoint of the George III Plan to rehabilitate the 13 Colonies suffering from inflation and international anarchy as a result of the French and Indian Wars."

"Well," said Astoria, "I did think that perhaps I might have a try at Southern slavery. For instance, I could say that while from the liberal viewpoint, there were certain excesses that we would criticize, the overwhelmingly important fact remained that bringing natives from Africa to Alabama gave them food, shoes and an opportunity to participate in a strong, healthy economy."

THERE were in fact liberals who who said that about 1860," I mused. "But what got you started on this project?"

Solemnly, Astoria passed me the Feb. 22d issue of the New Republic.

lie, opened to an article entitled "The Marshall Plan: First Round."

Underlined were the words:

"At the moment, the Vandenberg version seems about as good as can be expected from a nation only emergent in recent years from isolationism and still practicing the slow moving techniques of democracy. From the liberal viewpoint there are some things seriously wrong with the present version of the project. . . . Nevertheless the overwhelmingly important facts are Europeans are hungry and hope for them and the world lies only in the creation of a strong, healthy European Economy. . . ."

Astoria said: "And that, my friend, is liberalism, 1948 style. How long will it take, do you think, for liberals to understand that the Marshall Plan doesn't aim at feeding hungry Europeans or creating a healthy economy—that it's just another version of the Disraeli plan for building the British empire, or the Theodore Roosevelt Plan for looting Latin America?"



"I don't know how it happened, but it all started with UMT!"

Joins Wallace

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Wallace: "For years I have been a great admirer of yours. I like a man who is sincere and honest."

"I can only say now that my admiration and affection for you," Taylor continued, "have grown throughout the years because of your steadfast devotion to the welfare of mankind and the cause of world peace. I am happy and proud to be associated with you, Henry Wallace, in this great new undertaking."

With Wallace as he entered the studio was Leo Isacson, newly elected Congressman from New York's 24th District. Third party leaders and progressives gathered there gave them each a round of applause.

AGAINST MARSHALL PLAN

Facing a score of reporters in a news conference after the broadcast, Taylor stated in response to a question, that he would vote against the Marshall Plan.

"I want to see people fed and countries economically rehabilitated. But it should be done through the United Nations. I'll offer amendments to that effect on the Senate floor, although they'll promptly be voted down," he said.

A reporter asked Taylor his attitude toward Americans for Democratic Action.

"I deplore their democratic action if their Philadelphia convention is any sample of it," Taylor replied. "All they've done there is criticize Henry Wallace."

He said he hoped liberals would unite in support of the new party.

Taylor said he believed that Progressive Party would be a good name for the movement. "It won't hurt us to fall heir to the traditions of Theodore Roosevelt and Bob La Follette," he said. "Of course they didn't win, but this is the third try and this time we'll win."

There was a barrage of Soviet-baiting questions from reporters who demanded what Taylor thought of Soviet "secrecy" and "expansionism." Several mentioned Czechoslovakia.

The Vice Presidential aspirant said he believed that the Soviet Union was disturbed by the "aggressive" policies followed by the Truman Administration. He cited U. S. action in Greece and Iran and said we were "dredging harbors and building military roads and laying pipelines in Turkey. Certainly they're afraid that we're planning more, and I don't blame them."

"It's going to be very difficult to reverse this trend of hostility toward the Soviet Union," Taylor said. "Since Roosevelt's death, U. S. policies have dissipated much of the good will which existed between our countries. But I think with Wallace as President, we can do it."

IGNORES RED-BAITING

"What are you going to do when you are called a Communist?" a reporter asked.

"I'm not going to do anything," Taylor responded. He said that ever since he entered politics in 1938 he had been called a Communist and a Bolshevik. "I denied it with great indignation in each election," he said. "And every time I got defeated. Then in 1944 I again ran for the Senate. They called me a Communist. This time I said 'to hell with it' and I was elected."

The Communists believe the man in the overalls "should run everything," said Taylor. The Democrats and the Republicans, he added, believe that the fellow "in the silk hat should run everything."

"This new party believes that everybody should run things. Now you wouldn't expect the Communists to support the silk hat crowd, would you?" Taylor asked.

"They will support the new party because at least it's in the middle. I'm glad to have their vote. I'm glad to have the votes of any people who support our program. I'd be glad even to have the votes of bankrobbers. If the Communists support us because

they approve our program, that's all right with me."

"The Soviet Union is preparing for any eventuality," Taylor declared, "because they fear our intentions are not peaceful and I don't blame them."

The newsmen again returned to Taylor's attitude toward the Soviet Union.

How could Taylor be so confident that Russia would not force the U. S. into war, even if Wallace were President, one asked.

"I believe Russia wants peace," said Taylor. "They have resources and manpower. They don't need markets like capitalist countries. Nobody gets rich from wars in the Soviet Union. Fascism must spread, dominate and conquer. But Communism just isn't like that, in my opinion."

Another reporter asked what Taylor thought of the Soviet Union "spreading out over the Baltic states."

"The Baltic states were a part of Russia until the revolution," Taylor said. "If the Japanese had won the war and taken Washington and Oregon, I guess we'd try to get them back at the first opportunity."

Taylor Text

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running on the old party tickets. I should like to make very clear that as far as I am concerned, the new party will join in trying to elect those Democrats and those few Republicans who are liberals.

There should be no futile effort to split the Progressive vote by introduction of a new party Congressional candidate in those contests. Certainly, where the old party candidates are hopeless the new party should fight to elect its own candidates.

I am not leaving the Democratic Party, it left me. Wall Street and the military have taken over. I received a mandate from the people of Idaho to carry out the policies of President Roosevelt in the Senate. I pledged myself to support a world organization to promote peace. Our foreign policy of supporting reaction all over the world on a unilateral basis has weakened and undermined and almost destroyed the United Nations. I would be untrue to the people who elected me if I took any action other than the one I have chosen.

Over and over again, after my talks in Idaho and across the nation, I have been asked by many of you who heard me: "We agree with you 100 percent but how can we take action to help stop this rush to war?" And I have had to answer, "I don't know."

PEACE AND ABUNDANCE

Now there is something you can do, you can work for a party and vote for a party that stands foursquare for a program of peace and abundance. I would be happy to hear from all of you who want to work with us to build this great people's movement.

Many liberals and labor leaders have made the human mistake of deciding that while the things Wallace stood for were right the practical thing to do was to support the Democratic Party as the lesser of two evils. As the new party continues to grow and gain strength, as it surely will, I am positive these sincere but temporarily mistaken leaders will be unable to resist the clean, clear-cut appeal of the new party and will join us. But even if some leaders refuse to change their position for reasons of pride or prestige, I am confident the workers, the average Americans who crave peace in the world and a square deal at home will follow their convictions and help insure the victory of this crusade in behalf of the common man.

HITS NAM POLICIES

Some have asked me if I intend to renounce the support of certain groups. What groups? If you start renouncing and denouncing, where do you stop? Will the old party bosses renounce the support of anyone who is a member of the National Association of Manufacturers? I believe the N.A.M. policies and program mean economic disaster to America. Will any politician renounce the support of the high moguls of the steel trust?

Last week they again raised the price of steel \$5 per ton. This wanton action, when their profits are the highest in history, has dealt our free enterprise system a blow that may well lead to the economic catastrophe that the press has told us Stalin is so anxiously awaiting.

Those monopolists have probably, in one day, advanced the cause of Communism more than all the efforts of all our Communists through all the years. Is the Republican or Democratic leadership going to renounce the support of these monopolistic enemies of the republic? No. They will be anxiously sought after and solicited because they are rich and powerful.

I am happy to have the support of all who go along with our program. But just let me say to the Communists so there will be no misunderstanding, my efforts in the future as in the past will be directed toward the goal of making our economy work so well and our way of life so attractive and our people so contented that Communism will never interest more than the infinitesimal fraction of our citizens who adhere to it now.

And if any of the bosses of big steel are more interested in peace and survival than in monetary gain, they will support Henry Wallace and myself. But I must warn them and all those selfish interests like them that I will continue—both in and out of the Senate—to try to break their arrogant power to destroy small business and labor unions and make them and their machines the servants of the people rather than their masters and destroyers.

We stand at the most terrifying and cataclysmic instant in all history. The awful cloud of the atomic bomb darkens the heavens and dwarfs us into a numbing sense of futility, helplessness and hopelessness.

But look, this is also the most glorious moment in man's long climb from the caves of savagery and ignorance. This atom that can destroy us can also free all men from drudgery and give us abundance and leisure that we may conquer ignorance, hate and intolerance. Ignorance, hate and intolerance are based on ignorance.

We have this chance, I believe a last chance, to turn utter catastrophe into the supreme victory of mankind.

Yonder beckons the spirit of the master holding open the gate of peace if we but have the vision and the courage to turn our backs on the old ways of force and violence.

A few short years ago under the inspired leadership of Franklin Delano Roosevelt, we were close to the goal of establishing mutual confidence and lasting friendship with our neighbors and allies. Since the day he left us, we have been stumbling back down the road toward the valley of despond.

I believe the American people will rise to the heights of faith and sacrifice demanded at this most demanding moment of all time. I believe it sincerely, I have confidence. I have the faith that will move mountains. You, all of you, must share this faith and prepare to join together in this great work to turn faith into reality. We dare not falter because a few steps farther down the road we are presently traveling lurks oblivion. Not just another war—atomic and bacteriological oblivion.

I know that enough of you will partake of my faith and idealism and the faith and idealism of Henry Wallace to carry this crusade for security and peace to a glorious and successful campaign.

Truman

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dividual communities as local shortages are relieved."

The Truman message is viewed as part of the Democratic high command's feverish maneuvering to head off third party sentiment.

Observers compare Truman's present plea with the administration's killing of the veterans' emergency housing program in December, 1946.

The two-day national veterans housing conference with representatives of seven major veteran organizations has been called to demand Congressional action on the Taft-Ellender-Wagner bill.

Senate debate on the weak Cain Rent Control extension bill was adjourned today until tomorrow. Debate on the measure opened Fri-

Wallace on Zion

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bargo, however, will be only a gesture if Britain continues to arm the Arabs, since the British Navy in the Eastern Mediterranean is imposing its own embargo on arms to the Jews.

"The United States, through the UN, must enable the Jews to protect themselves. It must deny aid to the British government which arms the Arabs while it is the recipient of United States funds.

"The Administration's shameful sabotage of the UN decision on Palestine is a part of the Truman Doctrine. The very same officials like Mr. Loy Henderson who threatened to send American boys to Greece to inflame a civil war are the most active saboteurs of the UN decision.

"It would be the height of folly to imagine that only the fate of a few million Palestine and European Jews is at stake. It is true that they will be the first victims, but all hope in the UN all trust in the United States word of honor, and in the last extremity the cause of world peace will go down with them.

"Americans, non-Jew and Jew alike, cannot and will not stand by while the Jews in Palestine are sacrificed on the altar of oil imperialism."

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23. (UP)—Secretary of State George C. Marshall today delivered his instructions to the United States delegation at the United Nations for the crucial debate on Palestine.

The position the U. S. will take on the recommendation for creation of a UN armed force to enforce partition was determined last week in high-level talks before President Truman's departure.

The U. S. policy decision still is a super-secret here, Warren R. Austin will disclose the U. S. decision, or part of it, after the debate in the Security Council gets underway tomorrow at Lake Success.

day with its author, Sen. Harry P. Cain (R-Wash.) making a three hour plea for amendments which would virtually scuttle rent control.

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WCBS—Ma Perkins
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WCBS—Young Dr. Malone
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WOB—Queen for a Day
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WCBS—Ferry Mason
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WCBS—Galen Drake
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4:45-WNBC—Young Widdie Brown

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WCBS—Tales of Adventure
WNYC—Disk Date
WQXR—News; Today in Music
5:15-WNBC—Fortis Faces Life
WOB—Superman
WJZ—Terry and Pirates
WOB—Captain Midnight
WQXR—Modern Rhythms
5:30-WNBC—Just Plain Bill
WJZ—Sky King
WCBS—Winner Take All
WQXR—Cocktail Time
5:45-WNBC—Front Page Farrell
WOB—Tom Mix

EVENING

6:00-WNBC—Kenneth Banghart
WOB—Lyle Van
WJZ—Joe Hazel
WCBS—Eric Sevareid
WQXR—News; Music to Remember
WNYC—Sunset Serenade
6:15-WNBC—Bill Stern
WOB—On the Century
WJZ—Ethel and Albert
WCBS—Frontiers of Science
WNYC—Religious Education
6:30-WNBC—Dardanelle Trio
6:35-WNBC—World-Over Playhouse
WOB—News; Fred Van deventer
WJZ—Allen Prescott
WCBS—Lum n' Abner Sketch
WNYC—Naval Air Reserve Show
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6:45-WNBC—Three Star Extra
WOB—Stan Lomax
WCBS—Lowell Thomas
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7:00-WNBC—Supper Club
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11:00-WNBC, WOB—News; Music
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Adventures of Richard

Menash Swears
It's a Mustache

By Michael Singer

MENASH CAME RUNNING down the stairs in high excitement and burst out into the street like a jet-propelled airplane. "Hey, fellas," he shouted, "boy, oh boy, oh boy. Have I got some-thing to tell ya."

He stopped before the gang, panting and eyes popping. "What happened, did you get a season pass to the Dodgers?" Fiekel asked.

"Yeh, cool down, you'll have thrombosis of the tonsils," Fritzik warned.

"I need a shave, I got hair on my face," Menash shouted.

The kids looked. They looked closely. Them No-Nose said:

"If you got hair on your face, it ain't yours. You need a shave like I need diapers."

"WHO TOLD YOU YOU NEED A SHAVE?" Richard asked, "that puss of yours has got no more hair on than a . . . a . . . fish."

"My father said I got a fuzz growing," Menash said.

"Maybe your father's got a fuzz growing," No-Nose scoffed.

"Look, see the mustache," Menash invited.

"Oh, I'm cryin' out loud," Fiekel exploded, "wash your face sometimes, it'll come off."

"When you gonna cut that beard, it's pickin' up cigar stubs already," Fritzik hooted.

"Tell your father to stop putting aspirins in his tea," No-Nose suggested. "He'll be having you vote the next election soon."

"What I can't figure out is where he got the idea you got hair on your face," Richard wondered.

"With that kind of a beard," Fiekel added, "you could shave with a piece of plain glass."

"AAH, YOU GUYS ARE JUST JEALOUS," Menash quipped. "I got hair on my face and you guys ain't."

"What are you gonna use, razor

blades or a lawn mower?" Fritzik asked.

Menash was rubbing his face and tickling his "mustache." "I'm gonna let it grow," he said.

"Lookit the guy," No-Nose sneered, "he thinks he's a member of the House of David already."

"Grizzle-puss Menash," Fiekel sloganed, "the ape-man!"

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2½ Lbs. boneless shoulder veal
pork
½ Tablespoon salt
Speck pepper
1 Onion, sliced
¾ Cup vinegar
½ Cup cold water
¾ Tablespoon margarine, melted
4 Gingersnaps, scrambled
½ Tablespoon molasses
½ teaspoon sugar
½ Cup hot water
½ Cup seedless raisins

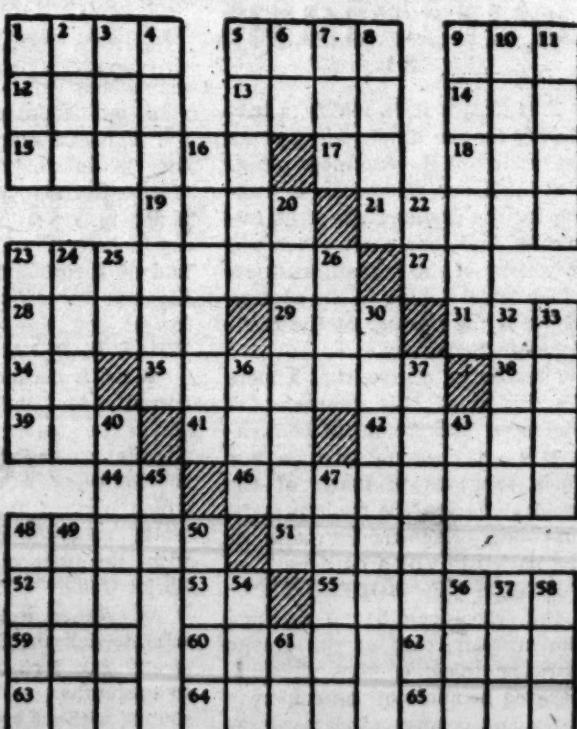
Rub meat well with 1 teaspoon of the salt and pepper, and place in roasting pan with onion, vinegar and water. Roast in moderate oven (350 F.), allowing about ½ hour per pound and basting frequently. When meat is tender, mix together margarine, gingersnaps, molasses, sugar and remaining salt; stir in hot water, add raisins and cook 5 minutes, stirring until thickened; then drain liquor from roast into gravy and stir until smooth.

Food Tip: In order to save bread, try some interesting wheat-free accompaniments for soup, such as popcorn, potato chips, corn or rice cereal, etc.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

HORIZONTAL

- 1-Entirely
- 4-State
- 8-Temporary project
- 11-Female ruff
- 12-Prefix; half
- 13-To redact
- 15-Young cat
- 17-Argument
- 19-Six
- 20-To spread for drying
- 21-To spoil
- 22-Food fish
- 23-To avoid
- 25-Constellation
- 26-To lessen
- 27-Melody
- 28-Nothing
- 29-Curve
- 30-Note of scale
- 31-Former Balkan kingdom
- 32-To depart
- 35-To name
- 36-Male swan
- 37-To cut
- 38-Rodent
- 40-Part of a play
- 41-To abrade
- 42-Climbing plant
- 43-High note
- 44-Period
- 45-Brother of Odin
- 46-Fuss
- 47-Number
- 50-God of love
- 52-Back of the neck
- 54-Period of time
- 55-Article
- 56-Means of egress
- 57-Edge



25-Edge
26-Large snake
28-Lump
29-Child's napkin
31-To regret
32-Negative
33-To coagulate
34-To be bound to pay
35-Arid
37-Nearer
38-Swarm of bees
39-To turn aside
40-Unique
41-Thick mist
43-Man's nickname
44-To fast
46-Peer Gynt's mother
47-Slender final
48-Prefix; three

Answer to Yesterday's Puzzle

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Letter To Pescara From American Italian Too Hot For 'World-Telegram' To Handle

THE WORLD-TELEGRAM's campaign to get Americans of Italian extraction to write relatives in Italy and inform them that Truman is Queen of the May, and John Foster Dulles is the Good Fairy, is evidently not quite the success that the editors hoped. I can imagine such a letter from one of our American Italian citizens to his family in Pescara:

"Dear Family:

"The World-Telegram is now asking all American Italians to tell you that our administration wants peace and is not imperialistic.

"American industrialists are too broke to worry about imperialism. This year I paid \$187 in income taxes which was not at all difficult after I hocked Tessie's fur coat and the gold watch you sent me for my birthday. But poor Harriman was so bad off that Truman gave him back a few million dollars to help him through the year. This is important, because if Harriman is broke, we will all lose our jobs and I will never be able to get the fur coat out of hock.

"All of us are loyal to the administration. We are all loyal or we are all fired. Your uncle Tony, who was working in Washington, is now on Ellis Island. He was transferred. I would get him out if the judge would set bail, but the judge won't set bail because he is opposed to police states. So am I. So is Tony. You see, we're all opposed to police states.

"We all got confused in a recent election in which we elected a man named Isacson who is against Truman and the Marshall Plan. We meant to vote for Propper, but the names were so much alike!

"We are now sending food to the Greek people. Very little of the food is edible, and most of it fits into a rifle. We have officers there, but they are strictly neutral. They load the rifles and they aim them, but someone else pulls the trigger. This keeps us from getting involved.

"The army is busy teaching enlisted men civilian pursuits, such as hunting rabbits. We have men rabbit-hunting in China, Greece and Iran. They also hunt sea-rabbits off the coast of Italy and Turkey. You may think this a long way to go to hunt rabbits, but the rabbits are armed and they fight like tigers. The Russians who accuse us of imperialism don't know anything about rabbit hunting.

"So, dear family, if you should happen to vote for the People's Bloc in Pescara, don't tell the World-Telegram. I voted for Isacson myself, but the Telegram doesn't know about it. But they might suspect, because I'm not one of Propper's relatives.

"Love,
"ETTORE."

Those who suspect that I swiped the idea for the following Psalm from the London Daily Worker are correct:

Truman is my shepherd, I am in want,
He maketh me pay for wasteful armed forces;
he buildeth not for homeless vets.
He disturbeth my soul; he leadeth me in the path
of destruction for profit's sake.
Yea, though I walk through the Valley
of the Shadow of Slump, I anticipate no recovery,
for he is with me.
His imperialist foreign policy,
it atomizes me.
He prepareth a reduction in my wages
in the presence of mine enemies;
He annointeth my small income with taxes;
my expenses runneth over.
Surely fear and poverty shall follow me
all the days of my life, and I shall dwell
in one room forever.

Music:

More on the Soviet Music Criticism

By O. V. Clyde

THE LETTERS of a number of readers gives me the opportunity to continue the discussion of the now-famous Soviet resolution on the musical problems presented by the recent works of Shostakovich, Prokofieff, etc.

In my first piece (Daily Worker February 18), I devoted the main part of my attack upon those who have maliciously distorted the creative inter-play between the new type of Socialist Society and its artists, and who have, as a result, cried aloud about "dictation of art" and "regimentation" and all the rest of that tripe.

I tried to make clearer this new

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and higher relationship to those honest persons who, through misinformation or insufficient understanding, also failed to see the Soviet criticism as a critical achievement of the highest order.

A number of readers have written to point out, and quite justifiably I think, that I did not develop in the same detail the specific criticism which the Soviet resolution made of the social character of most of the so-called "modernism" in art. It is this specific criticism which constitutes, in my opinion, the creative heart of Communist Party's judgment, and which has profound meanings not only for music, but for all the arts, and for artists outside the boundaries of the USSR.

PROKOFIEFF'S REPLY

Sergei Prokofieff himself, in the very meagerly quoted letter which he wrote in reply to the criticism, puts his finger on the more-than-local significance of the Soviet resolution's viewpoint. Prokofieff, a musician who has traversed personally all the various phases of musical "modernism," said: "The party's criticism separates the decayed tissues of music from the healthy ones."

Hollywood:

Jim Crow Wins Another Round in Pix

By David Platt

ABANDONMENT of the feature film built around the life of Jackie Robinson, the Dodgers' star infielder, is shocking.

Responsible for this outrage is the distributor, Eagle Lion, in which Robert Young, multi-millionaire railroad magnate, holds the lion's share.

The film which was to have been made independently by Martin Mooney and distributed through Eagle Lion will not be made because EL backed down on its pledge to release it to the country's movie theatres. Eagle-Lion or Mouse?

Ben Stoloff, EL executive producer, claims his company withdrew its backing because "Financing and scenario" were not ready in time to make the film before the Dodger first-sacker reported for spring training. But Robinson and his scenario writers insist that both script and money were available all along.

IT WOULD BE nearer to the truth to say that Eagle Lion withdrew from the project for the same reason that some ball-club owners refuse to hire Negro ball-players. It was obviously fear of antagonizing Southern exhibitors and Southern censors with a film that breaks down Jim Crow lines. Rather than run the risk of losing the Dixie market they decided to take the usual easy way out. However, Eagle Lion didn't count on the uproar against their about-face from all sections of the population, Negro and white.

Last week Robinson said: "I've been ready to start the picture since December, but Eagle Lion stalled and prevented my making it elsewhere. I'm pretty disgusted with the whole thing. It's been a run-around." That's pretty much how most people feel about it.

If President Truman means what he said in his speeches against Jim Crow let him prove it by commenting on this flagrant violation of the freedom of the screen.



RONALD COLMAN and Shelley Winter in a scene from 'A Double Life' at the Music Hall Theatre.

Today's Film:

'Raven' Made By Nazis in France

By Herb Tank

THE FRENCH FILM The Raven has been described in advance reports as one of the half dozen greatest French films ever made. It has also been described as a sinister

Nazi propaganda job. Curiously, both reports come from the pen of the same person, Genet, writing from Paris for the New Yorker. It seems to me to be a peculiar measure of greatness that can ac-

THE RAVEN, French film with English titles. Scenario by Louis Chavance. Directed by Henri-Georges Clouzot. With Pierre Fresnay. At the Avenue Playhouse.

cept a fascist viewpoint in a film no matter how well executed.

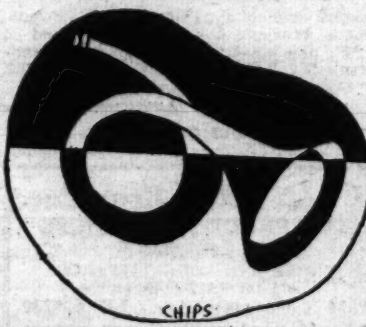
The Raven opened yesterday at the Avenue Playhouse. Produced in France during the Nazi occupation by a German film outfit called Continental Films it received showings in Germany under the title, Eine Kleine Stadt (A Small Town). It has since been banned in France.

THE RAVEN has its setting in a small French village. Someone in the village writes a series of letters signed: The Raven. A vicious mixture of half truths about people in the village these letters are mailed to almost everyone. The re-

sults run the gamut from riots and murder to adultery and enforced chastity. The script was based on an actual French case a number of years back: the poison pen trials at Tulle.

The film is a particularly unpleasant film to watch. The writing, direction, and the performances which Genet in the New Yorker found so skillful impressed me as hardly more than competent. The film is dominated by a de-humanized attitude toward people. It is this cynical and inhuman attitude toward the French people that made The Raven valuable propaganda for the Nazis to use in their own country.

WERE THIS FILM much better technically and completely innocuous in content I would still find it distasteful. It was produced by the Nazis, performed by collaborationists, and today it is shunned by the French people. I can not separate my own experience, the recent war against fascism, from the films I see. Nor do I want to.



This is the only sentence of Prokofieff's letter which the super-excited correspondents now stationed in Moscow risked sending to the press here. And some of them did not even risk a single quotation. We have every reason to believe, of course, that Prokofieff's letter and the statements of the other musicians, must have constituted a blistering retort to the vulgarity and philistinism of their own cooked-up sensation.

In any case, that single quotation from Prokofieff illuminates for us the way in which the criticized artists grasped the truth which the Communist Party's collective leadership was presenting to them. And this truth is that the so-called "revolution" in art which has been embodied in such various manifestations, at different times, as Dadaism in literature, abstractionism in painting, and "modernism" in music, is in fact not a revolution but a counter-revolution, if one wishes to

use such terms.

This insight is, in reality, a battle cry for the development of an art worthy of the enormous struggle which our generation is waging for the preservation of its humanity, and for an art which will be worthy of the human greatness which is developing in the century which is the century of the transition to Socialism.

I realize, of course, that a mere description of this character of the social background of contemporary art does not provide any quick solutions to many of the problems facing the modern artist regardless of the field he is in, or the nation in which he lives.

POLITICS OF "MODERNISM"

But, there can be no escaping the over-all truth of the drastic criticism made of that which is decayed in much of contemporary art. The concept of decay is as much an aesthetic one as it is social or political. It is not the so-called Soviet "decree" (an utterly misleading word for the social nature of the Soviet criticism) which makes obsolete most of the "modernism" in art but the necessities of the newly evolving social content which are destroying what is false in "modernism."

Great contemporary art will find for itself a form worthy of it; the aesthetic—and therefore the social—content of "modernism" as we have seen it is trivial, and fundamentally hostile to hu-

man liberation.

In our country, for example, the Partisan Review clique said they would weld "modern art" to "revolutionary politics." They ended by revealing the reactionary nature of both their politics and of their "modern art." And this was not an accidental, but a logical, development.

WHAT IS DECADENCE?

"What is decadent music?" one correspondent asks in a letter which he believed was full of devastating witticisms such as the following: "Can you mention which part of Prokofieff's recent violin concerto was in conflict with the reconstruction of the Soviet Union?" This sort of thing is as easy as it is vulgar, for it tries to tell us that the totality of any given art work has nothing to communicate, that it is "pure sound" without any relation to an attitude toward life. Decadence in art is a recognizable thing, both in its technical aspects and in its social connotations. This is not the place to develop this point, obviously, but an art which has no moral basis other than a desire

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Around the Dial

Assorted Gagsters on Truman Comedy Show Put Morgan, Benny, Durante in the Shade

By Bob Lauter

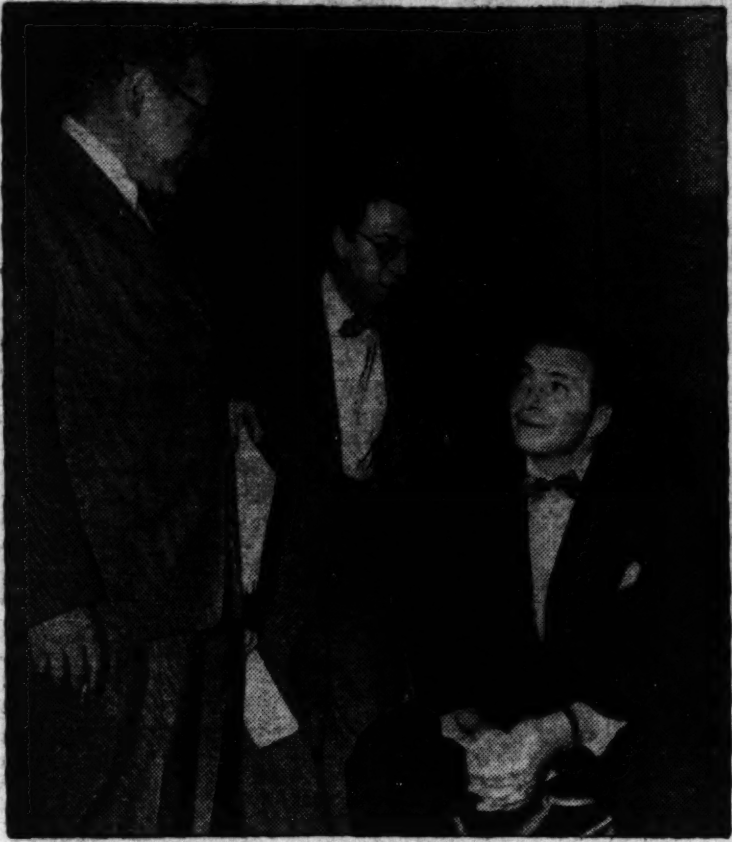
HENRY MORGAN, Jack Benny, Jimmy Durante, and all other comedians who have achieved high Hooper ratings for their shows, had better take note of a new rival who threatens to corner the vast American comedy-show audience. I am referring to the terrific performance put on by President Truman and the assorted hacks who attended the Jefferson-Jackson Day Dinner. Seldom has radio offered a more cutting satire of the two-party system, a satire judiciously mixed with broad burlesque.

The show started with a demonstration of enthusiasm. The demonstration was something less than inspiring. Then Senator McGrath, the Henry Morgan of the program, introduced President Truman, the Girard of the Democratic Party.

The idea of President Truman carrying on the traditions of Jefferson and Jackson was funny enough in itself, but the gag with which he ended the speech is unparalleled in the history of radio ad-libbing. He exhorted his audience to carry forward the spirit of Jefferson, Jackson, and "Theodore Roosevelt." It was a perfect wow-ending.

Unfortunately, his audience at the Jefferson-Jackson Day Dinner didn't get the point. They had no idea that Truman had made a mistake.

With the show such a success there are rumors that Harriman,



HENRY (HERE'S) MORGAN, star of his own ABC program, looks with cynical distrust at his two staunchest cohorts, Charlie Irving and Arnek (Gerard) Stang. Obviously, joke or no joke, Morgan is not amused.

the sponsor, may revise the schedule and present it weekly. The radio audience doesn't want to wait a year for the next belly laugh.

FM STATION WABF is now offering a Friday night program which I think will probably steal 90 percent of WQXR's Friday night audience. The WABF program will feature six consecutive hours of classical music including symphonic works, oratorios, operatic excerpts, and chamber music. The feature that will attract WQXR listeners is that WABF will offer this six-to-midnight program without any interruptions for commercials. (WQXR's Friday night schedule now includes nine sponsored programs with commercials).

The contract for the WABF program will run for one year.

LISTENED to the Rutgers University Debate last Saturday (10:30 p.m., WJZ). The question was "Should We Adopt a System of Universal Military Training?" Temple University students did a fair-to-middling job on the negative side of the question, weakening their position by avoiding the deeper principled questions involved, and concentrating on the idea that a mass military force is not what the next war would require. However, one of the debaters pointed out that peacetime conscription has never prevented a war, or guaranteed a victory. He pointed out that we had the draft in 1941, and it did nothing to prevent Pearl Harbor. Attacking the concept that Army training "builds character," he asked why more money was not appropriated for education and vocational guidance.

I think the placing of the question in this debate, and in the talk of supporters of U.M.T., reveals the astounding egomania and arrogance of American capitalism today. What do they mean by "Universal military training?" Universal is something that applies to the universe. Has Wall Street already taken over the cosmos?

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Soviet Music

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to demean man, or which loses itself in self-pity or private codes, and which prides itself on being permanently inaccessible to a significant public, that art is decadent.

In this respect, there is an important job that has to be done in the critical re-evaluation of the history of taste in music. Most intellectuals have a false notion of how the great advances in musical art have been made or received. It is not true, for example, that the works of Mozart, Beethoven, or Verdi, for example, appeared first as "musical modernism" in

the same sense as contemporary "modernism," to be later accepted by the musical public as orthodox. We will discover, if we look, that in the prevailing public at any given time, there always existed a group for which the new works of Mozart, Beethoven and Verdi had an immediate significance. This public was not the coterie of the "avant-garde," but the genuine representatives of the advanced social groups.

The Soviet criticism, in my opinion, greatly seeks to restore this Bach - Mozart - Beethoven-Verdi relationship between the public and the artist which the coterie art of most "modernism" so disastrously broke.

On Stage:

'Mr. Roberts': Expert Comedy, Expert Hokum

By Lee Newton

MR. ROBERTS has a lot of expert comedy, some good acting, better direction and a realistic set of a U. S. Navy cargo ship, but I wouldn't rush down to the Alvin Theatre to stand on line for tickets under the impression that it's the great play of World War II—or for that matter, a great play.

It isn't. It's really a number of clever vaudeville sketches strung together by a hokum plot.

Lieutenant (Jg) Roberts, during the war, wants to get into combat; that's his main ambition in life. But he's stuck aboard a cargo ship which delivers PX supplies to inactive islands in the Pacific. The crew suffers from boredom and the sadistic captain refuses to give them a leave. The crew loves Roberts because he takes their part against

MISTER ROBERTS, a play by Thomas Heggen and Joshua Logan based on the novel by Thomas Heggen. Presented by Leland Hayward. Directed by Joshua Logan. Settings and lighting by Jo Mielziner.

Cast includes:
Chief Johnson.....Rusty Lane
Lieutenant (Jg) Roberts.....Henry Fonda
Doc.....Robert Keith
Dowdy.....Joe Marr
The Captain.....William Harrigan
Insigna.....Harvey Lembeck
Mannion.....Ralph Meeker
Lindstrom.....Karl Lukas
Stefanowski.....Steven Hill
Wiley.....Robert Baines
Schlemmer.....Lee Krieger
Reber.....John Campbell
Ensign Pulver.....David Wayne
Lieutenant Ann Girard.....Jocelyn Brando

the captain. Finally Roberts gets them leave but only at the price of promising the captain he will no longer ask for a transfer to combat duty and that he will show more respect for the captain's orders. The crew, not knowing about the deal, loses their affection for Roberts, but regains it when they discover the truth. Roberts finally gets his transfer and dies in combat. The curtain falls as this news inspires Roberts' successor to take his place standing up for the crew against the captain.

NOW ONE OF the characteristics of a hokum plot is the performance of acts of villainy or heroism with no attempt made at explaining or depicting motivation powerful enough to cause these acts, or sufficient development of character to make them inevitable. Authors Thomas Heggen and Joshua Logan never take the trouble to adequately explain why Roberts must get into combat; why and how Roberts became the kind of man who wanted to get into the fight—the only man of the large number of men aboard ship who had that desire. What made him so different? The authors never tell. Why bother? The audience can only love such a character, particularly if he stands up for the underdog against the cruel captain.

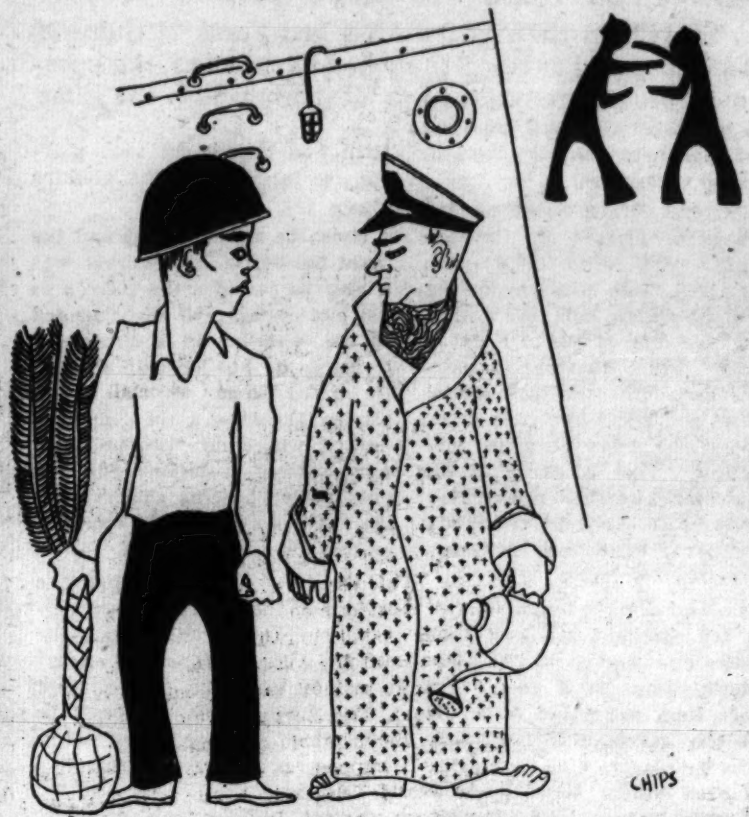
The authors do explain why the captain is cruel, and why he hates Roberts. Roberts is educated, see? Roberts had a college education. He, the captain, was a worker; had worked since he was ten years of age — so he hates college boys. They're responsible for all the humiliations he suffered when a worker.

Roberts fights the Captain because the Captain represents what Roberts is fighting against.

But if Mr. Roberts is not a play of stature, it certainly provides an audience with a most enjoyable evening. Director Logan keeps things moving at a rapid pace and the laughs come fast and furious. All the surface trappings of reality are present: the Jo Mielziner ship itself; the boredom and lethargy of the crew; the profanity, etc. The comic scenes are done with a broad, lusty sense of humor which will make them talked about for some time.

There's the one in which the crew spies on the bathing nurses on a nearby island; the one in which the crew returns from the bacchanalian shore leave to end all shore leaves; the one about the fire-cracker especially made for use on the Captain—and so on.

Henry Fonda, as Mr. Roberts;



LIEUT. HENRY FONDA and Capt. William Harrigan aboard the good ship AK 601 are thinking that it's time for a show-down about the Captain's potted palm. They're at the Alvin Theatre in the hit show 'Mr. Roberts.'

David Wayne as his jerky and lustful friend, who finally carries on for him; William Harrigan as the Captain, and Robert Keith as the ship's doctor—all turn in excellent performances. The crew members were all played with gusto and fine teamwork by a group of top-notch actors who squeezed every possible ounce of comedy out of their stereotyped roles.

It was a lot of fun. But if you're

looking for the great play of World War II, you won't find it at the Alvin: Mr. Roberts is a horse (laugh) of a different color.

TWELFTH NIGHT, by William Shakespeare, will be the March of Drama Repertory presentation at the Dramatic Workshop's President Theater, beginning Wednesday evening, Feb. 25. It will run through Sunday, the 29th.

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On the Score Board

By Lester Rodney

Weekly Report From Leone's

COACHES HOWARD CANN and **Frank McGuire** of NYU and St. Johns respectively had the usual cautious pre-game words of mutual respect but inasmuch as the game will be all over by the time you read this there's a little point in settling them down.

McGuire did comment on the number of players on the opposing teams who knew each other well. This is a phenomena of metropolitan ball, even in a town as large as ours. Kids on college teams together usually knew each other as high school players and bump into each other through the years at gyms and practices. Dick McGuire of St. Johns, for instance, knows Hay Lumpkin intimately (check the box score to see how well he knew Ray's offensive moves).

The rival centers, **Dolph Schayes** and **Ivy Summers** are long time buddies and worked in the same summer camp. So it goes. Yet rather than detracting from the inter-city games, this familiarity of the ballplayers with each other and each others' styles leads to the most blazing kind of competitive struggle, where every opening has to be earned by superior speed and ability. Nobody fools anybody much.

Columbia coach **Gordon Ridings** caught a question from one of the scribes, who will be unnamed here. The question had to do with the loss of the Princeton game, when **Bruce Gehrke** took a shot with seconds to go and Columbia leading, missed, Princeton recovered, tied the score and won in overtime to end the Lions' unbeaten streak.

"Do you make it a rule," the scribe asked, "to have your players take a shot with your team leading and fifteen seconds to go?"

If you think the question sounds a little snide and more than a little presumptuous for a scribe to throw at a coach, you are right. Ridings blinked, corrected the writer on the amount of time left "There were only SIX seconds to go," and went on very evenly.

"I'm not out there on the floor with the boys and don't expect them in the heat and tension of a close game to do everything exactly as I would have planned it. That particular player won a lot of game for us and I'll go right along with him if nobody minds."

BEFORE THE FEEDBACK went on big genial **Al Baggett** of Brooklyn College via Texas, said that the three referee experiment had worked out wonderfully well. He showed me a chart diagramming the movements of the officials and it looks good. One official is always in front of every play, as in baseball. Too often in this racehorse game the hard working ref has to chase the play. Yet official **Nucatola** had one post game comment. "This is for me!"

Al also said that the Lincoln College inter-racial game was a fine ball game and that the Negro school had a good young team and he was happy he had scouted them before they met Brooklyn.

SAM SCHOENFELD was the featured speaker and he had a lot to say. Sam is a ref and coach with a long background in the game. He played on the championship Commercial High team (now Hamilton), on Savage when that Institute was beaten once in three years, at Columbia and coached at Thomas Jefferson

High and turned out such players as **Tanenbaum**, the **Gotkins** et al.

He spoke as an official and the main burden of his remarks was a plea to consider the referee as not a necessary evil to be hooted at but someone in a profession trying to do his job with dignity. He posed some of the actual playing problems a ref comes up against where no "two and two equals four" solution can be found. "And he was sharp about the coaches and players bouncing up and shouting."

"We feel," he said, "that the actions of the players, within reason, are a reflection on the coach." He proposed an educational campaign on rules so that for example players wouldn't be screaming "three seconds" when someone is beyond the foul line in the circle.

AS AN AMUSING SIDELIGHT, Sam told of his first refereeing job back in 1930. It was the assignment to work the CCNY vs. St. Johns freshman game, prelim to the big game.

"There were fist fights in the streets of Brownsville for weeks before that game," he recalled, "Yes, the freshman game. The big night came for me. I was the only referee just one. My first mistake was to wear a red jacket given to me as a gift a few weeks back. St. Johns' color was also red and the first thing I heard when I stepped out on the court was 'Who the hell is that, the St. Johns cheerleader?'"

"I threw up the ball and backed away and saw a CCNY team clout a St. Johns man. Tweet! Foul. Again I threw it up, backed away and again I saw a City guy hit a St. Johns guy. I tell you I was sweating and the fans like to tear the house down. Must have called about six in a row against City. It was the longest first half in history for me. City wanted my hide."

"Between halves a couple of veteran referees chatted with me and told me that every time I threw up the ball and looked up I was missing what PRECEDED the CCNY man hitting the St. Johns man. The St. Johns guy was socking him first and I looked down in time to see the retaliation!"

What Champs Are Doing

At the peak of the indoor boxing season, here's what the eight world champions are planning:

HEAVYWEIGHT—**Joe Louis**, now enroute to England

on the liner **Queen Mary** for a series of exhibitions in London, is signed to defend his title at Yankee Stadium, June 23. No challenger has been matched. Unless **Jersey Joe Walcott** signs by March 5, another challenger will be selected, according to Louis' recent ultimatum.

Lesnevich will defend against **Blackjack Billy Fox** at Madison Square Garden on March 5. Winner of this bout may move into the heavyweight division and challenge **Louis** in June, if **Walcott** fails to come to terms.

MIDDLEWEIGHT—**Rocky Graziano** is still trying to find a site where he can make his first defense against **Tony Zale** of the title he won from **Zale** last July 16.

YANKS SNARE BROWNSVILLE BOY

Right from under the noses of Brooklyn scouts, the New York Yankees have snared one of the best looking young pitching prospects around in **Hymie Cohen** of Brownsville. A 17-year-old southpaw who stands 6-4, weighs 205 and has blazing speed and good, though as yet uncontrolled curves, **Hymie** is rated a surefire future big leaguer by Yank Scout **Paul Kritcheff**. He will start with the **Manchester, N. H.** farm this year.

ATTENTION FISHERMAN BEN FIELD!



ENJOYED YOUR guest column on fishing, pal. Here's one fish story you didn't tell. You don't believe it? Check with the sports editors for confirmation, you cynic!

Soviet Skiers in Title Meet, Seen as Olympic Sign

MOSCOW, Feb. 23 (UP).—The newspaper **Izvestia** announced today that Russia will send 16 of its best skiers to Norway next week to compete in the **Holmenkollen International ski meet**, which begins Feb. 29.

European observers interpreted the USSR's decision to participate in a major international athletic event as a favorable sign that the Soviets will enter athletes in the Olympic games in London.

Most of the 16 Soviet skiers, two of whom are women, figured prominently in the USSR's two big ski meets this season.

Included in the Russian squad are **Mikhail Protasov**, who won the 50-kilometer cross-country race at **Bakuriani** in three hours, 29 minutes and 12 seconds, and **Ivan Rogozhin**, who finished second in the same event in the **Spartakiad** in three hours, 26 minutes and 31 seconds. (**Nils Karlsson** of Sweden won the Olympic 50-kilometer race in 3:47:48.)

hopes to make on May 21 his first defense of the undisputed world title he won from **Bob Montgomery** last August. This defense will be staged at **Madison Square Garden** against the winner of an April 2nd bout between **Terry Young** and **Paddy DeMarco**—if the winner is impressive.

FEATHERWEIGHT—**Willie Pep** will defend against **Humberto Sierra** of Cuba at the **Orange Bowl** in Miami, Fla., tonight (Tuesday). **Jack Dempsey** will referee the 15-round bout, which is expected to draw a gate of between \$60,000 and \$100,000.

BANTAMWEIGHT—**Manuel Ortiz** of El Centro, Calif., has no title match in the offing.

FLYWEIGHT—**Jackie Paterson** of Scotland must defend soon against **Rinty Monaghan** of Ireland.

LIGHTWEIGHT—**Ike Williams**

Furillo Signs, Seen Regular

Carl Furillo, whose centerfielding opened eyes in the late lamented World Series, got the raise he was looking for yesterday and signed his contract. Another signee was

Marvin P. Rackley, speedboy who bitterly claimed he didn't get an opportunity last year and proved it by hitting .316 for St. Paul. He will be in contention for the spot vacated by **Dixie Walker**.

Furillo is one of the two right-handed hitting outfielders on the **Dodger** team, the other being rookie **Don Lund**. A powerful slugger, he alternated in left field most of the way with **Gene Hermanski**, facing left-handed pitchers, and thrived to the extent of .295, with lots of extra base wallops. In addition he filled in for **Pete Reiser** whenever that worthy centerfielder collided with a wall, and because of his rifle arm proved himself the best defensive gardener on the squad.

Carl, who has always claimed he would hit righthanders if left in consistently, will probably get that chance this year. He appears set in either left or center, depending on the condition of **Reiser's** arm. Young and strong, he figures as a good fifth place batter. Rightfield is wide open with **Gene Hermanski** having the inside track, followed by **Snider**, **Rackley**, **Abrams**, **Gionfriddo** and assorted other rookies.

THE KID'S RIGHT NAME

Kid Gavilan, highly rated Cuban welterweight, is really **Geraldo Gouzales** in private life. He became the **Gavilan Kid** when he started boxing and this subsequently was switched to **Kid Gavilan**.

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In This Corner...

By Bill Mardo



Ah, Those Fite Managers

RAY ROBINSON'S name never aroused any wells of affection in the hearts of those who manage fighters for a living. Put your own quotation around the word heart because while it means many things never was it intended to include hopping an airplane while a prizefighter you managed lay near death in a strange town without even his parents arrived yet.

What has Mike Spinnelli, the punk who took his cut out of Sam Baroudi while the body was still turning cold, got to do with the great welterweight champion? Only this. For many years Ray Robinson was vilified and slandered in the front offices of boxing because he was "too damn independent." Ray didn't like managers. Early in his career he got rid of his because he didn't believe a nickel phone-call to a matchmaker's office entitled somebody to half his earnings. Ray has since managed his own affairs while letting his close friend George Gainford use the formal title for the sake of Commission rulings. But as I say, Robinson's distrust and disgust for the blood-suckers has earned him the rep of being a bad egg.

You think of how Robinson feels about managers when you read of the knife Mike Spinnelli dug into Sam Baroudi's dead body. And while you have known some good guys who manage boxers, you find it much easier to add up the louses, the ones who are out only for the quick buck and to hell with the fighter.

One night at Ebbets Field you'll never forget. This was a prelim on the Mauriello-Carollo card, and you were sitting right under the kid's corner. He couldn't fight worth a damn and you wondered what-ever made him try the fight racket, but in his clumsy way he was trying his best even though he was taking an awful beating. But the two guys who owned him didn't think the one-minute interim between rounds entitled the kid to a rest. One of them slapped his bloody face silly while the other heaped filth and abuse on him. "You faker!" he screamed. "Get in there and fight... Faker... Faker!"... and this went on round after round, the kid took two beatings, one from the other fighter, and another from his miserable managers with the foul mouth and stinging open hand...

NOT ALL managers act that way. There was once a brilliant welter prospect name of Aaron Perry who came in here during the war days. He had racked up a neat record out of town and was even more sensational his first night in the Garden semi-final. The boy had everything and there was no reason why he shouldn't have gone right to the top. His manager was a quiet, gentle looking white-haired old gent. But Aaron Perry was due for Army induction in a few months, and this nice retiring old Santa Claus then perpetrated as neat a job of managerial murder as did Sam Baroudi's manager. If Aaron Perry is alive today, it's not because his manager wasn't trying.

In rapid fire succession, the young, still-learning Perry was matched with comebacking Henry Armstrong, who pounded his body for six rounds and then knocked him into a limp heap; Jimmy McDaniels, a wise campaigner from California who gave the kid such a merciless beating that a friend I took to the fights that night has never gone again; and so it went down the line. Aaron Perry was headed for the Army, you remember. His sweet old manager had no way of knowing whether he would ever come out of the service in one piece. So he rushed him in over his head, milked the magic of the kid's name dry, and walled a nice wad to see him through the war years while Aaron was gone.

Today, every so often, you can read the small out-of-town fight results and you'll run across Aaron Perry's name, more often than not getting kayoed by somebody who wouldn't have been able to lace his shoes if his manager had brought him along carefully. Those needless beatings Aaron took as a promising 19-year-old have added up. He's become a punching bag. Who manages him today, I don't know. Probably the same guy. A manager can make money so long as his boy can lift his legs over the ropes and climb into the ring. When the day comes that he can't... so what... the woods are full of kids who want to fight.

Some people may rationalize Sam Baroudi's death by considering only nine ring fatalities in 1947 a pretty good commentary on the way professional boxing is operated. But those people forget one thing. Fighters don't have to die to highlight corruptness. Some of them go blind in one eye like Bobby Ruffin... and that doesn't warrant a headline. Others, like Artie Levine, don't "feel right" after a while. Some, like Monty Pignatore, go completely sightless and his Bensonhurst buddies ask sports editors to help start a Fund Drive for the blind battler. How many thousands more wind up in a condition commonly called "punchy," but the word seems cruelly callous when you see what punchy means in the flesh—stumbling, rubber-legged guys who drool half sentences and never know what time it is. No, they don't all have to die, like Baroudi, Glen Newton Smith, Jimmy Doyle, Lem Franklin... But dead or alive, you can trace it all to the Mike Spinnelli's and the Boxing Commissions which never bother to protect a fighter from his manager.

BAROUDI BENEFIT IN APRIL

CHICAGO, Feb. 23.—The Chicago Stadium announced today it has set aside April 9 for a benefit boxing match for the parents of Sam Baroudi, New York boxer who died here after a bout with Exard Charles.

Charles has offered to fight a benefit for Baroudi's family, but promoters said they were having trouble finding him an opponent. "We've got the Stadium reserved for the date," a spokesman said, "but we've got to find Charles somebody in his class."

At a coroner's inquest into Baroudi's death, Leonard Kaplan, a

press photographer, testified that he saw Baroudi's manager, Mike Spinnelli, at the airport early Saturday preparing to catch a plane. Kaplan quoted Spinnelli as saying:

"The kid is dead. So what? I can't do anything about that."

The Illinois Athletic Commission requested Spinnelli to appear at a March 8 meeting which will probably result in the fight manager's suspension in the state. Spinnelli, it seems, falsified the late battler's age, having listed him as 22 when Baroudi had told reporters he was only 20.

Track Notes: IC4A 1,000 Is Natural

The IC4A games Saturday night have come up with a natural. And that is the Pearman-Thigpen return. NYU's Reggie, loser by a half-yard to the Seton Hall sophomore in the National AAU 1,000, is itching to atone this weekend. And Reggie is also aware of the criticism he has let himself in for by always running "the other guy's race." Meaning he's content to let everything go just as his foemen want it and pin everything on that final kick of his. But it didn't work last week against Thigpen, who had a little reserve saved up just for Pearman's final drive.

NOTES: Only four times in the past 26 years has the same college turned up with the winners of both the mile and two-mile titles in the indoor IC4A championships. Penn State, which accomplished the feat last year, expects to do it again Saturday night in Madison Square Garden.

Coach Chick Wagner's twin Nit-tany hopes are Gerald T. Karver, defending champion in the mile, and Horace Ashenfelter, favorite in the two-mile...

Joe Cianciabella, of Manhattan, holds all the IC4A sprint titles—at 60, 100 and 220 yards—and will defend his 60-yard crown.

George Guida, upset by Dave Bolen last week, will defend in the 600.

Warren Halliburton, of NYU, is defending in the 60-yard high hurdles. He was out of action a month, however, with a foot infection, and will have his hands full repeating against George Cook, Yale; George Sylvestre, Army, Dana Payne, Princeton; Bill Melvers, Syracuse, and Phil Einsmann, Manhattan.

Tigers Sign Trout

DETROIT, Feb. 23 (UP).—Paul (Dizzy) Trout, hoping to show improvement over his 10-21 record of last season, today signed his 1948 contract with the Detroit Tigers.

Shea Nixes Yankee 16 Gs

A rookie sensation who was assigned to pitch the opening game of the World Series in defiance of baseball tradition, Frank (Spec) Shea yesterday became the American

League's most prominent holdout when he turned down a New York Yankee offer of \$16,000 for the '48 season. The chunky right-hander is asking \$20,000 for his second season in the bigtime, but George Weiss, Yankee General Manager, countered with a "take it or leave it" ultimatum to Shea, telling him he was already getting the highest sophomore salary offer in the history of the club. Shea was unimpressed.

The development made it almost certain that Shea will not be on hand when the Yankees open their spring training March 1. Weiss is due to leave for St. Petersburg, Fla., today, and Shea has no new appointment with the Yankee chieftain.

Shea, a 25-year-old Naugatuck, Conn., boy, is counted upon as one of the three mainstays of the Yankee pitching staff this season.

Frank Shea, along with Bill Bevens and Allie Reynolds. Bevens and Reynolds have signed for 1948. Shea won 14 games and lost five last season, and had an earned run average of 3.07. Manager Bucky Harris displayed his confidence in the six-foot right-hander by naming him to start in the World Series against the Brooklyn Dodgers. That was against all the rules of baseball, and Shea should have been palsy pale with fear.

Instead, he merely smiled, "It's just another ball game."

Layne, Halas Talk Terms

EL PASO, Tex., Feb. 23 (UP).—Bobby Layne, All American quarterback of the University of Texas Longhorns, was in El Paso today negotiating with George Halas, general manager of the Chicago bears.

Halas hoped to sign Layne before returning to a ranch in Phoenix, Ariz., where he is vacationing.

At latest report, however, he had been unable to reach an agreement with the famed Texas quarterback. But he did sign James Canady, regular right half back of the university of Texas for the last two years.

Snively Decides Against Don Bid

CHAPEL HILL, N. C., Feb. 23. (UP).—Carl Snively, greying University of North Carolina football coach, said today he has decided not to take the head coaching job with the professional Los Angeles Dons.

The All America conference team had offered Snively the post at a salary reported to be \$25,000 a year.

However, Snively, whose contract at North Carolina still has two years to run, said, "Mrs. Snively and I came face to face with the termination of our Carolina associations. We simply found ourselves unable to leave."

Results, Entries, Al's Selections

HIALEAH RESULTS

FIRST—6 furlongs; claiming; 3-year-old fillies; \$3000.
Boid Lady (Peabody) 13.30 5.30 4.50
Babette F. (Snider) 3.30 2.30
Natcha (Cook) 2.30

Also ran—Happy Flora, Claire Dauber, Varodi, Flying Rocket, Skyway, Spring Gal, Miss Education, Non Ferro and Brierly. Time—1:12 3/5.

SECOND—6 furlongs; claiming; 3-year-old fillies; \$3000.
Monifeth (Dodson) 14.20 10.40 5.20
Bim's Owl (Richard) 41.50 13.50
a-Kibbitz (Duff) 3.20

Also ran—a-Airist, Ricca Silver, Speed Bird, Mary Ann, Top Trash, Your Highness, Delighted, Donna Grace and Odd Pigeon. Time—1:13.
a-Well Krimehah entry.

THIRD—6 furlongs; 3-year-old colts and geldings; \$3000.
Not Very Much (Atk'n) 11.30 5.30 3.60
Fighting Mad (Combest) 4.90 4.60
a-Scholastic (Nash) 2.50

Also ran—Donquest, Roman Runner, Ventolino, Octopus, Wild Bull and a-Seminar. Time—1:12 1/5.
a-Sanford Stud-Spinard entry.

FOURTH—1 3/16 miles; claiming; 4-year-olds and up; \$3500.
Grand Destiny (Cook) 30.20 13.50 4.60
Inedito (Peabody) 25.30 9.80
Pharaday (Balsaretti) 3.40

Also ran—Reno Upstart, Abim, Ekan, Coloret, Stipulation, Crack Time, Anako and Frolicland. Time—1:58 1/2.

FIFTH—3 furlongs; allowances; 2-year-olds and up; \$5000.
Greek Blond (Snider) 4.70 3.00 2.70
Gray Charmer (Atk'n) 3.20 3.00
Also ran—Just Lovely, Gingham, Eternal Flag, Rahim and Main Bet. Time—33.
Egretta (Stagmaster) 5.20

SIXTH—7 furlongs; claiming; 4-year-olds and up; \$4000.
Santa Claus (Rogers) 42.00 12.60 5.40
a-Edeemee (Gifford) 3.40 2.40
Mon's Boy (Porch) 2.60

Also ran—Darby Doodit, a-Shining Deed, Salvo, Ruling Time, Roberto, Daralet and Cellophane. Time—1:23 4/5.
a-Clinton-Goldamer entry.

SEVENTH—1 3/16 miles; claiming; 4-year-olds and up; \$3500.
Duchess Argyle (Cook) 27.70 11.50 7.70
Swing High (Basile) 20.60 12.40
Island Hop (Mann) 6.30

Also ran—Sugar Man, Mel Indian, Jolly Soul, Snob Tourist, Manadroit, Brown Ruff, Dry Belt, Uncle Byron and Pandango. Time—1:57 4/5.

EIGHTH—1 1/8 miles; claiming; 4-year-olds and up; fillies and mares; \$3000.
I'M O'Sullivan (Stgm'r) 18.10 13.10 6.50
Princess Nell (Williams) 6.10 3.70
Conformable (Knapp) 2.90

Also ran—Together, Awashonks, Billie's Choice, Single Gleam, Lepel, Speedy Show, Hywick and Lucky Ann. Time—1:54.

HIALEAH ENTRIES

Hialeah Park entries for Tuesday, Feb. 24. Clear and fast. Post 2 p.m., EST.

FIRST—3 furlongs; claiming; 2-year-old maidens; \$3000.

Somber 117 Some Speed 117
Gray Brook 120 Nifty 120
Braggadocio 120 Joy Road 120
Hopoff 120 Jan Up 117
Fibster 117 Elye Sailor 120
Super Flight 117 Uncle Edgar 115
Babe Mack 120 Eternal Great 117
Jacolee 117 Cherry Flash 120
Bold Leader 120 Marse George 120

SECOND—1 3/16 miles on turf; claiming; 4-year-olds and up; \$3000.

*Grm'r Bonnie 114 *W. H. Kelly 114
Mr. Flip 114 *Westfield 108
*High Kick 113 *Afre 108
*Forever At It 104 I Conquer 118
Thale 114 *War Wise 108
*Alport 109 *Our Blen 112
Bold Mate 117 *Mier 109
Broadloom 114

THIRD—6 furlongs; maidens; 4-year-olds and up; \$3000.

*Eternal Star 117 *Doctor D. 119
Priam 124 Jacross 124
Airmada 122 Signal Knob 122
*Gray Bear 117 Cobblestone 122
Little Hussy 119 Wont Walt 117
Sagunto 122 Loto Chance 117
Boquhan 122 Daltone 122
*Naaman 114 Imperieuse 117

FOURTH—1 1/8 miles; claiming; 4-year-olds and up; fillies and mares; \$3500.

*Harem 114 *Bronze Medal 106
Chanteuse 116 a-Excelente 111
a-Annieopsquoth 117 *Pine Lake 114
*Challosa 111

a-P. Bieber-M. S. Goldamer entry.

FIFTH—6 furlongs; allowances; 4-year-olds and up; fillies and mares; \$4000.
*Devastating 117 Sweet Caprice 110
Roman Candle 116 *Dangerous Age 114
Proud Ruler 116 Pipette 113

SIXTH—7 furlongs; allowances; 4-year-olds and up; \$4000.

East Light 106 Sam Bernard 109
*Master Mind 99 Gold Bull 104
*Gragaloch 104 Eb 112
Mescara 112 Wide Wing 122
Darby d'Amour 112

SEVENTH—1 3/16 miles on turf; claiming; 4-year-olds and up; \$3000.

Bisby 117 Rose Cave 118
Appetizer 109 Albatross 113
*Rieltime 106 Federal Union 113
*Overtake 115 *Pete's Kid 113
*Esco Blade 104 *Anne Again 104
Value Mark 111 *Twist 109
Badge 118 Staters 118
*Fort Schuyler 109 Sue's Special 111

EIGHTH—7 furlongs; allowances; 3-year-olds; \$3500.

Compliance 108 *Dusty Tiger 108
*Out of the Sun 111 Regalon 113

AL'S SELECTIONS

- 1—Eternal Great, Jacolee, Braggadocio.
- 2—W. H. Kelly, Our Blen, Graymar Bonnie.
- 3—Eternal Star, Daltone, Airmada.
- 4—Annieopsquoth, Harem, Chanteuse.
- 5—Devastating, Pipette, Proud Ruler.
- 6—Master Mind, Gold Bull, Eb.
- 7—Overtake, Rose Cave, Fort Schuyler.
- 8—Scotch Bim, Beausy, Compliance.

U.P. SELECTIONS

- 1—Jacolee, Braggadocio, Some Speed.
- 2—W. H. Kelly, Graymar Bonnie, Afre.
- 3—Airmada, Sagunto, Eternal Star.
- 4—Annieopsquoth, Chanteuse, Pine Lake.
- 5—Sweet Caprice, Proud Ruler, Devastating.
- 6—Wide Wing, Master Mind, Darby d'Amour.
- 7—Overtake, Fort Schuyler, Rose Cave.
- 8—Sashay, Blaumont, Compliance.

*Blackmont 114 Sashay 119
Friedy 113 Alacrity 119
Scotch Bim 116 *Beausy 106
*AAC, listed according to post position.

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Akron Unionists Protest Arrest Of Williamson

Rubber workers and seamen are taking fresh steps against the deportation delirium. A wire from eight leaders of big CIO rubber unions in Akron, Ohio, with thousands of members, lay on White House desks yesterday. A new anti-deportations committee of seamen from several waterfront unions was getting under way in New York at the same time.

The seamen's committee, headed by Clarence Johannsen, CIO Marine Cooks and Stewards, includes members of the independent Marine Firemen; the marine division of the American Communications Association, and the National Maritime Union.

AKRON LABOR PROTESTS

The president of a CIO steel union and an AFL leader joined in the wired protest to President Truman from Akron, which follows:

"The arrest of John Williamson (Communist leader) and his indefinite confinement on Ellis Island without particulars to the government charges and deprived of his right to be released on bail is a violation of the elementary rights of such prisoners provided in our legal statutes.

"This action which threatens to establish Ellis Island as a concentration camp for political prisoners, can only be interpreted as a part of growing drive of reactionary and fascist-like influence in our country.

"We call upon you to immediately release Williamson on bail."

The wire is signed by George Bass, president, Goodyear Local 5, CIO United Rubber Workers; George Millron, president, Goodyear Local 8; W. I. Vaught, executive board member and treasurer, Goodyear Local 2; W. S. Hackenberg, president, Sieberling Local 18; Ralph Gwyn, president, Sieberling Local 16; Bernard Jones, committee member, Goodyear Local 2; Clyde Dereiner, district representative, Goodyear Local; Francis Gerhart, AFL leader, Barborton, Ohio, and Amos Murphy, president, Local 1150, United Steel Workers.

A wire from 30 trade union leaders, professors from Rutgers University, clergymen, and other prominent citizens of Northern New Jersey was also received by the President from Newark, N. J.

A wire to William Z. Foster, chairman, and Eugene Dennis, general secretary of the Communist Party from an enlarged meeting of the Wisconsin State Committee of the Party pledged a determined fight "to end these fascist-like persecutions."

The arrest of John Williamson is "an attack upon the trade union movement," said a wire to Attorney General Tom Clark from the administrative committee of Local 16, United Office & Professional Workers, N. Y.

Frederick N. "Blackie" Myers, National Maritime Union rank and file leader; Lena Horne and the Rev. William Spofford will address a Stop-Deportations rally at Manhattan Center, March 3. The New York Civil Rights Congress and the American Committee for the Protection of Foreign Born are sponsoring the affair.

Vote to Strike

CLEVELAND, O., Feb. 23.—Three of the four plants of the Precision Diecasting Co. have voted to strike on March 1 if they do not secure a renewal of their contract, and the fourth plant is expected to take similar action shortly.

Days Add Up At Ellis Island

The days are adding up. These four workers' leaders have been kept without bail in the Ellis Island concentration camp as follows:

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|-----------------|----|
| Gerhart Eisler | 21 |
| John Williamson | 13 |
| Ferdinand Smith | 8 |
| Charles Doyle | 4 |

Launch Carrier Jet

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Feb. 23 (UP).—The Navy today unveiled its first carrier-based fighter planes to be propelled entirely by jet engines.

Rear Adm. William K. Harrill, commander of Fleet Air West Coast, said the FJ-1 can travel 200 miles per hour faster than any plane now under his command. He said the released performance figures show it has a speed "more than 550 miles per hour."

British Communists Ask Aid to Greek Democrats

LONDON, Feb. 23.—A resolution demanding material and moral support for the Free Greek Government of Gen. Markos was passed at the final session of the 20th Congress of the British Communist Party today. The resolution also warned of the serious danger that British troops might become involved in the fighting in Greece as mercenaries of American imperialism. Another resolution demanded an end to trade and diplomatic relations with Franco Spain.

By Betty Wallace

Wireless to the Daily Worker

LONDON, Feb. 23.—Victor Michaut, French Communist Deputy, today greeted the 20th Congress of the British Communist Party, emphasizing the common interests of British French workers in opposing the western-bloc policies of Bevin and Bidault. Michaut pointed out that the Marshall Plan was in effect a platform for the United States schemes for an advanced base against the Soviet Union and the new Eastern European democracies.

Other fraternal delegates greeting the Congress included Francesco Anton, Spain; Gigliotti, Italian Deputy from Piedmont, and Dr. Karl Altman, from Vienna.

Earlier in the day John Gollan, on behalf of the executive, told the Congress that it would be premature to discuss details of the Communist proposal for an alternative left labor government. Such a change can only come as a result of struggle on the part of the masses during the course of which leaders would



MIAMI POLICE are still probing the mysterious shooting of ex-follies girl Mrs. Eleanor McCoy, shown here with Irving Fein, Brooklyn manufacturer. According to police, two men shot her while she was riding home from a night club with Fein. When questioned by police after the shooting both gave the same home address on Park Avenue in New York.

Minneapolis Teachers Set To Strike Today

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 23 (UP).—The AFL Teachers' Union rejected an 11th-hour compromise offer today and notified city officials that teachers will begin a city-wide public school strike at 8 a. m. tomorrow to support their demands for wage increases.

Lawyers Ask End Of Political Arrests

CHICAGO, Feb. 23.—The convention of the National Lawyers Guild here, following an address by Carol King, New York attorney, condemned the arrests of 24 persons in the past 15 months for deportation on political grounds.



By BARNARD RUBIN

NOTE TO THOSE who may be silly enough to take Truman's "Civil Rights" program seriously:

When investigating government workers under the Truman "loyalty oath" program, the FBI always knows when it has a good lead.

That's when it comes across a white government worker who can count Negroes among his friends.

His loyalty then comes under suspicion immediately. . . .

TOWN TALK

The National Broadcasting Symphony, which has never been sponsored, is now being offered for commercial sponsorship. . . .

Jack Benny's Amusement Enterprises now own the television films made of Italy's famous La Scala opera productions.

Those Ella Kazan-Cheryl Crawford-Martin Ritt acting classes seem to be here for good. They've just taken a new three-year lease on the studio. . . .

Lincoln Kirsten will offer a Dance Festival at the City Center late next month which will feature well known ballet and modern dancers. . . .

Dick Haymes will get the bounce from his current sponsor if the latter succeeds in his negotiations for a 30-minute version of the Suspense program. . . .

Mack Sennett suing High Button Shoes producers over the famous Mack Sennett Ballet number in that show created by Jerome Robbins.

The new union contract for movie projectionists in town gives the boothmen a 15 percent pay hike retroactive to last September. . . .

Ray Rogers and wife Dale Evans due for a joint radio program. . . .

The Rockefeller bride and her Third Avenue flat: since her return from Europe last October, she had been living in a suite at the St. Regis. To be near the proletariat, I presume. . . .

Deems Taylor's musical version of The Mill on the Floss due for a production soon. . . .

Lisa Kirk, who clicked in Allegro singing The Gentleman Is A Dope, slated for her own radio network show. . . .

Ex-champ Mickey Walker may team up with radio actor Ed Begley (he scored in legit as the father in All My Sons) for a series of television boxing shows. Begley is a former prizefighter himself. . . .

Jackie Cooper will bring his show, Sleep It Off, to New York after he tours it through Seattle and Chicago. . . .

Haven't noticed it in the local papers, so if you don't either, you should know that the anti-union shop amendment which caused such a hot fight in California in 1946 couldn't even get enough signatures to get on the ballot there this year.

The Gröucho Marx radio program gets more requests for studio tickets than any other originating from Hollywood. And that's without a first-rate program. . . .

Alicia Markova and Anton Dolin will dance together in London some time in June. . . .

Of the 1,744 daily newspapers responding to the annual circulation inquiry of the American Newspaper Publishers Association 1,395 report charging five cents a copy—or over 80 percent.

Pennsylvania still has four newspapers selling at two cents and New York and Massachusetts have four each in his class.

Massachusetts, with 33, and Pennsylvania, with 24, also top the listing of three-cent papers. . . .

Miami newspapers are still sticking to their guns—charging local radio stations advertising rates to publish program listings. They claim newspapers must buy time on the air to announce their features while radio expects newspapers to promote its programs for free. Both industries, as a result, are watching the situation in Miami—but with a microscope. . . .

The N. Y. Herald Tribune, in its recommended reading list for businessmen, includes the current Science and Society special Century of Marxism issue. Why only for businessmen? . . .

The Wall Street Journal will publish a Southwest Edition in Dallas, Texas, starting early this spring. . . .

PUBLIC SERVICE

The Daily "Republican Times," of Ottawa, Illinois, is giving a careful briefing to local girls who would go wooing during this Leap Year.

As a public service it has published a list of more than 180 eligible males and, stepping out of the line of fire, told the girls to go to it.

Covering almost five columns, the list carried names and other vital statistics of bachelors of every size and description.

The bachelors were rated on the basis on the number of years they have been fancy free, type of employment, looks, "social position," disposition, age and new automobiles. . . .

Soviet Army On Peace Basis

MOSCOW, Feb. 23 (UP).—Marshal Nikolai Bulganin, Minister for the Armed Forces, said tonight in a speech at the Bolshoi Theatre that the Soviet Army had completed its conversion to a peacetime basis but was being re-equipped with the most modern weapons.

He spoke at a celebration of Army Day, marking the 30th Anniversary of the establishment of the Soviet Army. Joseph Stalin, looking in fine health, and members of the government and the Communist Party political bureau, were on the be-decked stage of the theatre as Bulganin spoke to a capacity audience.